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**SWANZEY
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

OFFICE HOURS AND REGULAR MEETINGS

TOWN HALL

Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Land Use Boards,
Assessing, General Assistance, Sewer Commission, Town Administrator

Weekdays 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM except Holidays

Town Hall Telephone Number 603-352-7411

NH Relay TDD 1-800-735-2964

FAX 603-352-6250

www.town.swanzey.nh.us

SELECTMEN

Wednesday evenings 6:00 PM

Robert A. Beauregard	352-5043 (Home)
Deborah J. Davis	357-4435 (Home)
Francis Faulkner, Jr.	352-2529 (Home)

PLANNING BOARD

1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

3rd Monday of each month, 7:00 PM

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:00 PM

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:00 PM

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 am to noon

Wednesday evenings, 7:00-8:30 PM

or by appointment

PUBLIC SAFETY

TO REPORT AN EMERGENCY

Police, Fire, Ambulance

9-1-1

Police Administration	352-2869
Fire Administration	358-6455

Burning permits may be obtained by calling one of the fire wardens listed below:

Lee Dunham, Ward.	352-4184	Morgan Wright, Deputy	352-1225
Gerry Bell, Deputy	352-1989	Bruce Tatro, Deputy	352-3904
Robert LaBelle, Deputy	352-4380	Sylvester Karasinski, Deputy	358-5168

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS**

**SWANZEY
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

For the year ending December 31, 2005

The 2005 Annual Report is Dedicated to

Carol A. DeRocher

Town Clerk, 1985 to 2006



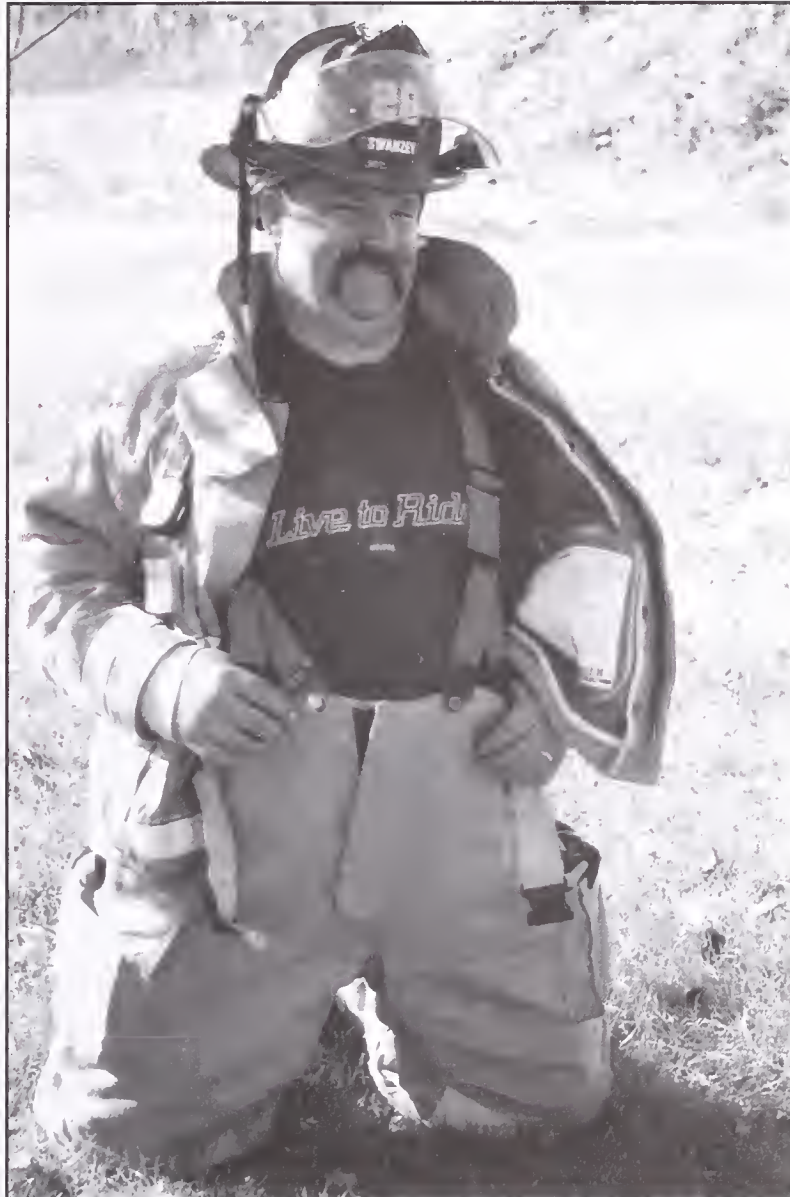
Carol DeRocher has served our town as its Town Clerk for more than 20 years and will be concluding her 7th term in March of 2006. Best wishes are extended to Carol in her retirement. We hope it provides her with the opportunities to enjoy family, crafts, snowmobiling as well as other enjoyable activities. Carol is shown here with one of her grandchildren who we imagine will be keep her “active” in retirement.

Photo provided by Robert DeRocher

In Memoriam

David Robert Packard

1964 - 2006



This Town Report is dedicated in memory of David Robert Packard. David served the town as a volunteer firefighter for more than 10 years and was dedicated to the fire service. He will be missed by friends, family, his wife, children, the fire service and the town. He will be remembered with joy, laughter and smiles.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OFFICIALS OF
SWANZEY, NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2005**

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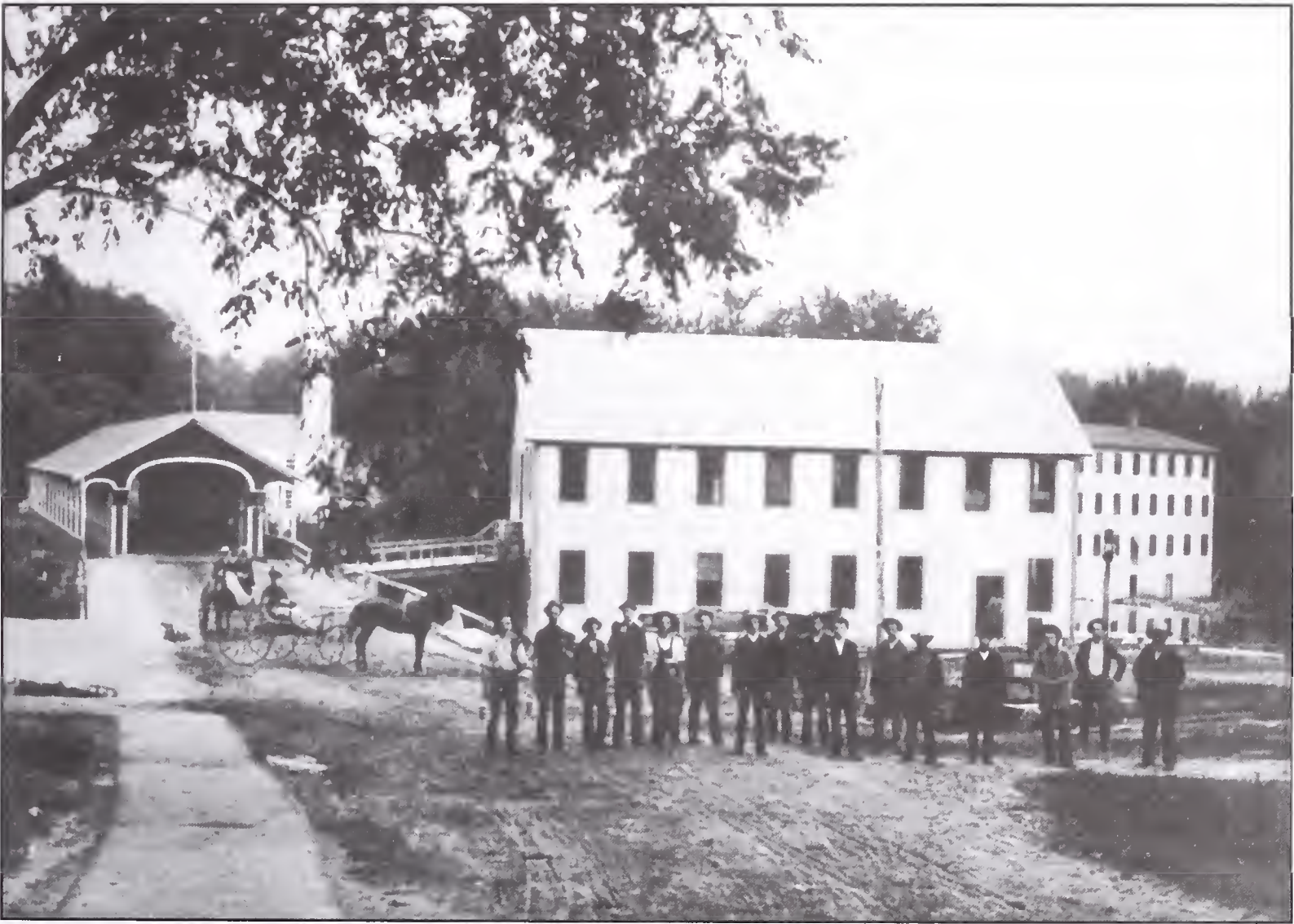
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**2005 TOWN OFFICIALS
BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

ELECTED OFFICIALS

MODERATOR

Alfred C. Lerandeau

Term expires 2006

SELECTMEN

Robert A. Beauregard, Chair

Term expires 2006

Deborah J. Davis

Term expires 2007

Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.

Term expires 2008

TOWN CLERK

Carol A. DeRocher

Term expires 2006

TREASURER

Roger W. Conway

Term expires 2007

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Ruth Snyder

Term expires 2006

Lynda Faulkner

Term expires 2010

Eileen Thompson

Term expires 2008

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Paul Nikiforakis

Term expires 2006

Nancy Carlson

Term expires 2007

John Bleyle

Term expires 2008

SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Glenn W. Page, Chair

Term expires 2008

William Snyder

Term expires 2006

Larry Crowder

Term expires 2007

OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE

William Carson

Term expires 2008

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

William Hutwelker, Chair

Term expires 2007

Charles Beauregard, Sr., Vice-Chair

Term expires 2008

Elizabeth Nieckoski

Term expires 2006

Robert Mitchell

Term expires 2008

Keith Thibault

Term expires 2006

Robert DeRocher, alternate

Term expires 2006

Jennifer Gregory, alternate

Term expires 2008

Martin Geheran, alternate

Term expires 2007

Don Simeneau, alternate

Term expires 2008

PLANNING BOARD

Glenn W. Page, Chair	Term expires 2008
Scott Self, Vice-Chair	Term expires 2007
Scott Lambert	Term expires 2006
Charles Beauregard, Sr.	Term expires 2006
Richard L. Lane	Term expires 2007
June Fuerderer	Term expires 2008
Steve Russell, alternate	Term expires 2008
David Osgood, alternate	Term expires 2006
Victoria Barlow, alternate	Term expires 2007
Francis W. Faulkner, Jr., Selectmen's Representative	Term expires 2006

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Robert J. Kenney	Term expires 2006
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REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT

Judson Dexter	Term expires 2006
Sheila Foote	Term expires 2006
Peter Allen	Term expires 2006
Anna Tilton	Term expires 2006

APPOINTED BOARDS & COMMITTEES

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Judy Bohannon, Chair	Term expires 2006
Polly Seymour	Term expires 2007
Annette Naeck	Term expires 2006

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Stephen Stepenuck, Chair	Term expires 2008
Deb Crowder	Term expires 2007
Barbara Skuly	Term expires 2006
Barbara Sherman Glidden	Term expires 2006
Paul Daniello	Term expires 2008
Walt Calkins	Term expires 2006
Michael Morrison	Term expires 2007
Art Whipple, alternate	Term expires 2007

BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PATHWAYS COMMITTEE

Steve Russell	John Summers
John Bridges	Bruce Bohannon
Jeanne Thieme	Walt Calkins
Marty Eaton	Martin Risley
Barbara Kahn	Rob Worden
David Krisch	Carol Jeffery
Theresa DiLuzio	David Whipple
Francis W. Faulkner, Jr., Selectmen's Representative	Suzanne Whittemore
Philip Topa	Sara Carbonneau, Town Planner

SWANZEY HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Jo Gregory
Mary Faulkner
Ernest Perry

Ernest Guilbeault
Eileen Wheelock

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Suzanne Whittemore, Co-Chair
Victoria Reck Barlow
Francis Faulkner, Jr.

Katherine Feist, Co-Chair
Deb Crowder
Sara Carbonneau, Town Planner

SWANZEY REVENUE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD

Robert Silk, Chair
David Krisch
Adrian Pinney
Glenn Page
Larry Crowder

Term expires March 2007
Term expires March 2008
Term expires March 2007
Term expires March 2008
Term expires March 2006

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

For long time residents, as well as newcomers to the Town, the Town's Annual Report is a good source of comprehensive information on town programs, department activities and events. In addition to a review of events of the past year, issues facing the town in 2006 and future years are previewed. The town's annual report also serves as a historical document chronicling issues faced and decisions made. Reviewing past town reports, those of 10, 25, 50 or 100 years ago illustrates quickly the impact of change and growth on our town and its progression from a village mill based agricultural economy to one which is more residential and service driven. The Selectmen's Report, like others, seeks to highlight some the board's activities of the past year, as well as preview the issues and challenges facing our town.

Work on several infrastructure projects initiated in prior years continued into 2005 and are expected to conclude in 2006. They include:

- Reconstruction of the West Street Bridge, resulting in a raised bridge and a road less susceptible flooding, was (for the most part) completed in the fall of 2005. The October floods put this new bridge to the test. While its approaches overtopped slightly during the peak of the flood, the bridge structure remained high and dry. During the 2006 construction season guardrail and the final topcoat will be installed completing this project. Anticipating completion of the West Street Bridge, the board's attention is now directed to the Cobble Hill Road Bridge that carries traffic over California Brook north of the Ice Pond adjacent to NH Route 10. During the October floods this bridge was overtopped challenging residents who live up this 3 plus mile, one-way in one-way out road. Unfortunately, it will take several years working through the state's bridge aid program before actual reconstruction of this bridge will be able to commence.
- Sewer construction continued in the North Swanzey area culminating this fall with the start of connections. By year-end, approximately 70 homes and businesses had connected to the new system. The Sewer Commission will continue to work with residents in the new service area and plan to complete the hook up process by mid-summer. Once the hook up period has concluded, roads in the project area will receive a final coat of pavement, including the sections of Route 32 impacted by the project. As this project moves toward its conclusion, we credit much of its success to the monthly project meetings involving all project partners that resulted in a coordinated team. The town will continue to benefit from these coordinated efforts as joint invoicing for utility services has been initiated.

Funds provided by voters to various capital reserve and expendable trust accounts provide opportunities for selectmen and departments to leverage town funds with grant dollars resulting in improvements to the town's infrastructure and equipment. Town departments have been successful in recent years improving equipment with small dollar matches funded by reserve and expendable trust accounts gaining access to grants to improve radios, purchase mass casualty gear, SCBA air-packs, purchase other types of public safety gear and improve recycling center equipment. The completion of the North Swanzey Project, providing long awaited municipal sewer service, as well as improved water lines, road and drainage infrastructure on the east side of Wilson Pond, is a significant investment in the town's infrastructure. Financing this project was aided by grants and low interest loans received by the Town and North Swanzey Water & Fire Precinct from Rural Development as well as a block grant award assisting in funding the sewer work. Completion of the re-construction of the West Street Bridge brings to 6 the number of town owned bridges rehabilitated in the past 15 years with 5 of those project's financed in large part with state bridge aid.

Swanzey was much more fortunate than neighboring communities such as Hinsdale, Winchester, Alstead and Keene, where October floods caused significant private property and infrastructure damage. Although devastating to the individual homes, business and roads impacted in some of Swanzey's low lying areas, activation of the Town's Emergency Plan resulted in quick coordination of responding town resources. Disaster declarations have provided federal funding to help support the costs incurred in responding and making emergency repairs as well as for the costs anticipated for more permanent repairs to be completed in the 2006 construction season.

This past year brought greater financial and operational stability to the town's operated assisted living facility. The Carpenter Home Special Revenue fund ended the year in a positive cash position. Census has been stable and operational costs were more than offset by operational revenue. Capital

improvements to the home including a new phone system, replacement of several appliances, the elimination of electric heat (hoped to result in long term energy savings), as well as new flooring in additional areas were funded from income generated by bequests granted to benefit the home.

Much of this year's work plan for the board is expected to involve development of a strategy to reduce the threat of scour (erosion) to the Thompson Covered Bridge. With the finding of the Homestead Woolen Mill Dam Study released in October of 2005 concluding that complete reconstruction of the dam including fish passage, versus repair, was required assuming ownership of the dam structure does not seem financially feasible in the view of Selectmen. Careful monitoring of the dam and the bridge will be required as we move through spring run off and summer to ensure prompt identification of any developments that might threaten the bridge. As the current dam owner and the state move toward development of a plan to remove the dam structure, the town will be utilizing the funds requested by Article 10 to develop and begin to implement a plan to secure the bridge. Engineering estimates placed the cost of scour reduction at \$500,000. Efforts will focus on seeking other funding sources assist in town efforts to protect this historic covered bridge. However, it appears that additional town funding may be necessary protect the town's bridge when the dam is removed.

Road work projects and continued development of a comprehensive road maintenance and improvement plan are also included in this year's work plan. With work on NH Route 10 in the area of Ash Hill Road and Base Hill Road drawing to a close, plans in 2006 are to complete reconstruction of Ash Hill and Base Hill Roads. Funding requested in Article 3 is necessary to implement this work aimed at improving the town roads intersecting and connecting Swanzey to the state's road's network.

The responsibilities of the Town continue to grow as does the Town - the 2005 population, as determined by the State of NH, was 7,081 residents, up 1% from the previous year. Several new multi-family housing developments were completed and both Arrowcrest Drive and C.L. Lane were extended to additional single-family homes. Continued growth and the accompanying demands for services, is forcing the town to look to improve the manner in which services are delivered and begin to develop plans to ensure the sustainability of necessary public services. To assist with the planning necessary, proposed is establishment of CIP Committee to give Selectmen, departments and planners a hand in accomplishing this necessary task. Additional long term planning for future facility and service needs is necessary to ensure delivery of essential services.

Key to meeting the future challenges facing Swanzey is the support of its residents. Much of what happens in our town would not happen without volunteer efforts. One successful volunteer effort lead this year (that even those with only a little time can consider participating in) is the spring Roadside Cleanup sponsored by the Town's Conservation Commission. The efforts of volunteers, board, committee and commission members, firefighters, rescue and emergency management personnel, as well as the efforts of all employees the Town's departments will allow future challenges to become opportunities.

Following the Town's Deliberative session in February, voters will come to the polls on March 14th to vote by ballot on officers, zoning questions and all other matters under consideration by the Town. The outcome of the ballots cast will serve to frame actions considered by officials, activities of departments and projects undertaken in 2006. We urge all of the town's voters to take advantage of the opportunity to exercise their voice in the decision making process and come to the polls. Voting will take place at the Christian Life Fellowship Church, 211 Whitcomb Road and polls will be open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

To keep up with Town events, activities and meeting schedules, visit Swanzey's web page at www.town.swanzey.nh.us.

Robert A. Beauregard

Deborah J. Davis

Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.

Selectmen of Swanzey, New Hampshire

TOWN HALL 2005

The Town Hall staff provides a variety of services to the residents of Swanzey. It's a vital link between its citizens, part time officials, town departments and numerous boards and committees. Some of the services that frequently bring residents to Town Hall include motor vehicle registration, dog licensing, vital records and related licenses, assessment and land use inquiries, payment of taxes and sewer bills. As of 2006 North Swanzey residents will also be able to pay their water bill at the Town Hall. Town Hall is regularly open Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm, excluding holidays. If you have any questions regarding Town government, please call the Town Hall at 352-7411.

There have been staffing changes at the Town Hall during the past year and will continue this year. Our Deputy Tax Collector Cindy Rose retired in the late summer and Michele Hurt was hired as account clerk. Town Clerk Carol DeRocher will be retiring in March after serving the town for many years. We will miss both Cindy and Carol and wish them well in their retirement years.

The Town Hall has a variety of activities that are "on- going", such as Home Health Care's monthly blood pressure clinics, representatives from State and Federal government holding "office hours", and the Town's various boards and committees holding meetings and public hearings. This, combined with the Town's regular government daily functions, makes the Town Hall a very busy place.

The installation of the assessing data base computer in the main hall has become a very popular means for people to retrieve information regarding Swanzey properties. This program allows residents, real estate personnel, and other interested parties to view the various parcels and gives them the opportunity to print the assessment card for a small fee. Assessing information may also be found online at www.visionappraisal.com.

The staff would like to thank the Old Homestead Garden Club for their hard work in maintaining the gardens at Town Hall and the other public gardens in town and to the Swanzey Girl Scouts and Brownies for decorating the hall for the holiday season. We would also like to thank the Public Works Department for their assistance in decorating the hall for Old Home Day, Memorial Day, and the 4th of July.

By participating in town government, each and every citizen makes Swanzey a better place. Your input, efforts and support is needed for the many community events and projects that make Swanzey special. If you would like to serve on a committee, volunteer to help with an event, or would like to find out more information about your town or its government, please contact us at Town Hall.

Carol DeRocher, Town Clerk; Lori Belletete, Deputy Town Clerk; Ruth Snyder, Tax Collector; Michele Hurt, Account Clerk; Sara Carbonneau, Town Planner; Theresa Lounder, Bookkeeper; Sandi Page, Administrative Aide; Beth Fox, Town Administrator; Roger Conway, Treasurer; Jim Weston, Code Enforcement Officer.

TREASURER'S REPORT
January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005
GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS

Balance on Hand January 1, 2005	\$ 5,392,089.75
Plus receipts	13,963,003.72
Plus interest received Citizens Bank	78,273.32
Plus interest received MBIA Investment	42,876.36
Plus interest received Bank North	5,669.75
	<u>\$ 19,481,912.90</u>
Less payments	(19,999,437.47)
Less transfer to conservation commission	(10,000.00)
	<u>\$ (527,524.57)</u>
Plus transfer from N. Swanzy Upgrade Project	5,833,272.06
Cash on Hand December 31, 2005	<u>\$ 5,305,747.49</u>

Distribution of Cash on Hand General Fund Accounts

Citizens Bank Checking	\$ 850,316.84
Citizens Bank CD	3,100,000.00
MBIA Investment Account	1,049,760.90
Bank North	305,669.75
	<u>\$ 5,305,747.49</u>

SEWER COMMISSIONERS ACCOUNTS

Balance on Hand January 1, 2005	\$ 199,347.47
Plus receipts	174,034.42
Plus interest received Citizens Bank	59.07
Plus interest received MBIA Investment	6,238.47
Plus NHDES State Aid	12,569.00
	<u>\$ 392,248.43</u>
Less payments	152,631.81
Cash on Hand December 31, 2005	<u>\$ 239,616.62</u>

Distribution of Cash on Hand Sewer Commissioners Accounts

Citizens Bank Checking	\$ 1,847.77
MBIA Investment Account	237,768.85
	<u>\$ 239,616.62</u>

NORTH SWANZEY SEWER PROJECT

Balance on Hand January 1, 2005	\$	14,107.29
Rural Development	\$	3,225,160.38
DES Revolving Loan Fund		1,941,079.56
N. Swanze Water & Fire Precinct		355,192.12
Community Development Bock Grant		311,840.00
Interest		373.17
Total Receipts	\$	5,833,645.23
Total Cash on Hand		5,847,752.52
Less Transfer to General Fund		5,833,272.06
Cash on Hand December 31, 2005	\$	14,480.46

SOD FARM ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand January 1, 2005	\$	2,791.96
Plus interest received		17.48
Cash on Hand Sod Farm Account December 31, 2005	\$	2,809.44

Distribution of Cash on Hand Sod Farm Account		
Citizens Bank	\$	2,809.44

CONSERVATION COMMISSION ACCOUNT

Balance on Hand January 1, 2005	\$	65,318.39
Plus interest received Citizens Bank		8.20
Plus interest received MBIA Investment		1,879.62
Plus receipts		-
Plus transfer from General Fund		10,000.00
		77,206.21
Less payments		2,318.78
Cash on Hand Con. Comm. Account December 31, 2005	\$	74,887.43

Distribution of Accounts Conservation Commission		
Citizens Bank Account		1,318.90
MBIA Investment Account		73,568.53
	\$	74,887.43

CONSERVATION COMMISSION CRESSON FOREST

Balance on Hand January 1, 2005		14,028.87
Plus interest received Citizens Bank		8.20
Plus interest received MBIA Investment		363.18
Cash on Hand December 31, 2005	\$	14,400.25

Distribution of Special Fund Accounts		
Citizens Bank		1,319.55
MBIA Investment		13,080.70
	\$	14,400.25

Respectfully submitted,
Roger W. Conway, Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT 2005

Property Taxes

ON LEVIES OF

UNCOLLECTED TAXES 1/1/2005	2005	2004
Property Taxes	-	876,989.71
Land Use Change	-	1,500.00
Recording Fees-Land Change Use	-	16.37
Yield Taxes	-	4,245.51
COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR		
Property Taxes	10,903,338.00	-
Land Use Change	71,000.00	-
Yield Taxes	48,603.92	-
Excavation Activity Tax	2,359.12	-
Recording Fees-Land Change Use	294.66	-
Overpayments: Property Taxes	37,824.65	336.00
Interest Collected	7,263.00	31,883.75
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$ 11,070,683.35	\$ 914,971.34

REMITTANCES TO TREASURER

Property Taxes	9,019,114.88	876,641.71
Land Use Change	66,500.00	1,500.00
Yield Taxes	47,991.16	4,245.51
Excavation Tax	2,359.12	-
Land Change Use Recording Fees	261.92	16.37
Interest Collected	7,263.00	31,883.75
Abatements: Property Taxes	737.12	684.00

UNCOLLECTED 12/31/2005

Property Taxes	1,921,310.65	-
Land Use Change	4,500.00	-
Recording Fees-Land Change Use	32.74	-
Yield Taxes	612.76	-
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$ 11,070,683.35	\$ 914,971.34

ON LEVIES

	2004	2003	2002 & PRIOR
UNREDEEMED TAX LIENS 1/1/2005	-	191,514.03	125,294.32
Liens Executed	307,322.92	-	-
Interest & Costs	7,354.95	15,440.54	32,194.47
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$ 314,677.87	\$ 206,954.57	\$ 157,488.79

REMITTANCES TO TREASURER

Redemptions	105,389.76	62,310.80	109,569.91
Interest & Costs	7,354.95	15,440.54	32,194.47
Abatements	229.00	-	-
UNREDEEMED TAX LIENS 12/31/2005	201,704.16	129,203.23	15,724.41
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$ 314,677.87	\$ 206,954.57	\$ 157,488.79

Sewer User Fees

LEVIES OF

	2005	2004
UNCOLLECTED SEWER RENTS 01/01/2005		
North Swanzey	-	2,220.35
West Swanzey	-	48,234.36
SEWER RENTS COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR		
North Swanzey	8,684.65	-
West Swanzey	161,331.44	-
Overpayments: West Swanzey	62.00	-
Interest Collected	92.90	397.61
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$ 170,170.99	\$ 50,852.32
REMITTANCE TO TREASURER		
North Swanzey	8,679.30	2,220.35
West Swanzey	113,905.35	48,234.36
Abatements: West Swanzey	74.40	-
Interest Collected	92.90	397.61
UNCOLLECTED SEWER RENTS 12/31/2005		
North Swanzey	5.35	-
West Swanzey	47,413.69	-
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$ 170,170.99	\$ 50,852.32

LEVIES OF

	2004	2003	2002
UNREDEEMED LIENS 01/01/2005			
Liens Executed	-	1,768.17	717.47
Interest & Costs after Lien	5,193.31	-	-
	176.84	28.82	211.26
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$ 5,370.15	\$ 1,796.99	\$ 928.73
REMITTANCES TO TREASURER			
Redemptions	1,381.54	195.48	717.00
Interest & Costs	176.84	28.82	211.26
Unredeemed liens 12/31/2005	3,811.77	1,572.69	-
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$ 5,370.15	\$ 1,796.99	\$ 928.26

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth C. Snyder, Tax Collector

**REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
2005**

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$1,129,958.41
Vital Statistic Fees	337.00
Vital Statistic Fees Remitted to State	655.00
Marriage License Fees	175.00
Marriage License Fees Remitted to State	950.00
Dog Licenses	9,548.00
Dog Licenses Fees Remitted to State	3,424.50
Fish & Game Fees	55.50
Fish & Game Fees Remitted to State	1,493.50
Boat Registration Fees	2,005.14
Boat Fees Remitted to State	4,867.00
Miscellaneous Fees	<u>2,883.56</u>
Remitted to Treasurer	\$1,156,352.61

Respectfully submitted,
Carol A. DeRocher, Town Clerk

PLANNING BOARD 2005

During 2005, the Planning Board reviewed 19 site plan applications and 8 subdivision applications, as well as numerous applications for signs, home occupations, boundary line adjustments and multi-and-new tenant occupancies.

Site plan applications approved by the Planning Board included 2 restaurants, a funeral home, an equestrian retail supply store, a cell tower, a laundromat, a car wash, a gift shop, and a well drilling supply business, in addition to other miscellaneous businesses. The Board granted a major multi-tenant application, approving over 50,000 square feet of space in the former Homestead Woolen Mill building for use as a greeting card distribution company.

The Board granted seven subdivision applications, creating 9 new lots (a comparatively quiet year compared to 2004, when a total of 58 new lots were created). In addition to acting on submitted applications, the Board also met with many potential applicants to discuss proposed projects, conducted site visits and drafted proposed zoning amendments and amendments to the Town's Site Plan Review Regulations (expanding the existing landscaping requirements for commercial/business uses). The Board also was a successful recipient of an "Access Management Grant," a collaborative effort with NH Dept. of Transportation and Southwest Region Planning Commission seeking to preserve existing highway capacity, as well as to ensure safety of vehicles and pedestrians along the Town's highways.

The Planning Board has been involved in numerous discussions regarding various issues affecting Swanzey. These include the future of the Homestead Woolen Mill Dam and whether the Cheshire County jail should be located in Swanzey. In addition, the Board continues to grapple with the perennial challenge of balancing growth, both residential and commercial, with the residents' expressed desire to maintain the Town's rural character.

Once again, the Planning Board encourages the townspeople of Swanzey to get involved. Come to meetings; read the minutes of the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment (on line at www.town.swanzey.nh.us); call and ask questions. Planning Board meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall and the public is always encouraged to attend. In addition, questions regarding Planning Board matters may be directed to Town Planner Sara Carbonneau at the Town Hall (352-7411 or via e-mail at scarbonneau@town.swanzey.nh.us).

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn W. Page, Chair

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT 2005

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall with the exception of February when it meets on the 2nd Monday. Notices of public hearings are posted at the Town Hall and the two post offices. In addition, notices are published in the Keene Sentinel and sent by certified mail to all abutters. Agendas and minutes are available for review at the Town Hall or on the Town's website at www.town.swanzey.nh.us

The function of the ZBA is to consider applications from property owners for the following: requests for variances, requests for special exceptions; appeals from administrative decisions and requests for equitable waivers from dimensional requirements. The actions and powers of zoning boards are strictly controlled by New Hampshire law. For example, criteria for granting variances have been established by New Hampshire case law. All towns must utilize that exact criteria and only if the applicant meets all the criteria, the variance must be granted.

In 2005, the ZBA conducted public hearings on thirty-nine applications and considered two requests for rehearing. In addition, the Board conducted five site visits.

The Swanzey Zoning Ordinance is available on the Town's website at www.town.swanzey.nh.us The Swanzey Zoning Ordinance was adopted in 1947 and numerous amendments to the ordinance have been made throughout the years. When zoning amendments are proposed, public hearings are held by the Planning Board in order to solicit input. For any zoning amendment to be adopted, it must be voted on by the citizens of the Town. The ZBA encourages Swanzey residents to take an active role in the development of regulations that affects each and every one of you.

Questions regarding the ZBA and its function may be addressed to Sara Carbonneau, Town Planner at the Town Hall or via e-mail to scarbonneau@town.swanzey.nh.us

Respectfully submitted,
William Hutwelker, Chair

CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT 2005

The Code Enforcement Department currently consists of the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Inspector. The Code Enforcement Officer holds regular office hours on Tuesdays from 9 am to noon, Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 pm, and Thursdays from 9 am to noon. Inspections and consultations are scheduled on an as requested basis.

The Code Enforcement Department is responsible for the review and issuance of building permits, as well as conducting inspections during construction and issuing certificates of occupancy. In addition, the Code Enforcement Officer is charged with the responsibility of investigating and enforcing code and zoning violations, as well as reviewing for compliance with approved site plans. During the 2005 calendar year, the Code Enforcement Department issued 220 building permits. The estimated value of construction during 2005 was \$6,593,345.

Building in Swanzey has also been effected by new state laws-specifically the adoption of what is referred to as the "Statewide Building Code." The Statewide Building Code includes the International Building, Plumbing, Mechanical, and Energy Conservation Codes as well as the National Electrical Code, all impacting commercial construction. In addition, the State adopted the International Residential Code for modular housing. "Stick-built" residential housing in Swanzey is regulated by the International Residential Code 2000 with minor amendments. These codes run hundreds of pages long, are very detailed, and require expertise and training in their administration.

As Swanzey continues to grow, more attention should be given to the role and responsibilities of the Code Enforcement Department. To effectively meet the demand for services (including inspections relating to building projects, site plans, and other land use approvals; investigations generated as a result of citizen concerns; and enforcement of code violations) an expansion of the current department may be necessary in the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Weston, Code Enforcement Officer
Ron Fontaine, Fire Inspector

SWANZEY POLICE DEPARTMENT 2005

The increase in residential and commercial growth in Cheshire County was evident on the demands of the Swanzey Police Department in 2005. A continued pattern of increased activity and calls to the Police Department added demands on all of our staff. This past year we had many serious and complex cases that have taken a tremendous amount of time and effort. Swanzey is also being affected by the growing heroin problem in Cheshire County. It may be hard to fathom that a nice community such as Swanzey has a heroin problem, but it does. It is wide spread and it has been the root cause of many of our serious cases.

Among the major cases and incidents that we responded to and investigated were: a fatal plane crash in January at the airport and numerous burglaries and thefts (most notably a \$30,000 residential burglary and a \$20,000 residential burglary). We investigated several alcohol related motor vehicle accidents with serious injuries including one fatal accident. We investigated an apartment fire in which two residents died, a drive-by shooting, an armed robbery of a gas station, many sexual assaults, major break-ins at the Swanzey Self-Storage (27 victims), two ATM machine theft cases, the suspicious death of a female, and an increase in bad check cases. This only scratches the surface of the investigations undertaken by the Department. I would like to add that our staff has done a great job working on these cases.

As the volume of police investigations increase, so does the case load of the Regional Prosecutor. For the past six years, Swanzey has been the administering agency of the Office of the Regional Prosecutor for the eight town program. In 2005 the program reached its maximum capability. We knew two years ago that the program would eventually reach that point and a request for a federal grant to supplement the program which would address staffing and space needs was submitted. In November, the Department received notification from US Senator Judd Gregg that the \$300,000 grant request was approved by the DOJ and would be available mid-year 2006. This grant will greatly assist the RPA Program and will help sustain the program for several years and may also allow for the addition of other Cheshire County towns to benefit from the Regional Prosecutor's Program. Governor John Lynch was very supportive of our initiative.

Among the other grant programs the department has benefited from this past year was the UNH Project 54 Program. We had five vehicles outfitted with state of the art digital radios, GPS units, computers, radars, lights, and sirens. Project 54 technology integrates these electronic devices and allows officers to interact with the equipment using speech input and feedback. We have received \$55,000 worth of equipment and technology through Project 54.

The Department continues to strive to improve customer service. Officers have continued to work with two Neighborhood Watch Programs and continue to regularly visit the elementary schools, interacting with both the staff and students. We stand behind our Department's Core Values: *Fairness, Compassion, and Integrity.*

Officers continue to attend professional development and advanced training programs to stay on the leading edge of law enforcement technology and concepts. As Chief, I am actively involved in several county and state law enforcement committees, including being elected, as the President of the Cheshire County Police Chief's Association. I believe this involvement will benefit the Town of Swanzey. The Swanzey Police Department believes strongly in being a "team player." We continue to focus on working harmoniously with other town departments to improve the quality of life in Swanzey.

I am very proud to be a member of the Swanzey Police Department. Swanzey is fortunate to have caring and conscientious personnel in their police department. I would like to thank each and every one of our officers and support staff for their work ethic and job performance.

I encourage members of the community to get to know their police officers. I look forward to citizens stopping by the station, asking questions, and learning what we do. It is important for the Department to have a partnership with the community its serves. Our officers help keep Swanzey a safe community in which to reside and to do business. It is, however, a very busy community with regard to police activities and demands.

The following is a sampling of the types and numbers of incidents the Swanzey Police Department handled in 2005.

STATISTICS

Calls for service	5,751
M/V Citations	2,009
Motor Vehicle Accidents	228
Arrests	312

Among these calls were:

Speeding enforcement	910	Driving while intoxicated	22
Sexual Assaults	22	Assaults	65
Drug Investigations	18	Larceny	215
Burglary	20	Protective custody	82
Criminal mischief	106	Domestic disturbances	109
Citizens request for help	510	Assist other agencies	536
Suspicious activity	319	Juvenile calls	148

As Chief, I am committed to excellence and professional service. The Swanzey Police Department is in the customer service business. The citizens of Swanzey are its customers. The Department will continue to strive, through training and hard work, to provide the Town of Swanzey with the type of professional policing they deserve. We look forward to another year working with the Swanzey Fire Department, Swanzey Department of Public Works, and Swanzey Emergency Management to provide the residents with the best in emergency services.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard V.C. Busick IV
 Chief of Police

SWANZEY FIRE DEPARTMENT 2005

The fire department has been busy this past year with a record number of calls for help, starting with a fatal plane crash at the airport in January. Crews responded to several serious motor vehicle incidents, oil spills, and house fires. The Department helped neighboring towns with mutual aid that included large brush fires in Keene and Roxbury. The summer brought thunderstorms with strong winds that led to several calls, including a garage blown over. Unfortunately, an improperly disposed of cigarette and a disabled smoke detector led to an apartment fire that caused the death of two people. Please install and maintain smoke detectors, they do save lives.

On Old Home Day rescue crews successfully defibrillated a heart attack victim and saved his life. Our volunteers responded to the October floods and assisted Keene with boat rescues and pumping flooded basements. The year was rounded out with car crashes and a wilderness rescue of a seriously injured ATV rider a mile in the woods.

Department members attended training at the Meadowood Fire School, NH Fire Academy, and National Fire Academy. The Department hosted training on propane gas emergencies, a CDL course, Firefighter I, and an EMT refresher program.

The new water main and hydrants around Wilson Pond, cistern at CL Lane, and a dry hydrant at California Pond are improvements in fire protection. Grants have supplied the Department with a thermal imager, four new breathing apparatus, desktop computers, and a power point projector. The State Fire Marshal's Office provided 20 smoke detectors with ten year batteries that were installed at residences in town.

The Companies continue raising funds to supplement the equipment the Town provides. Please patronize and donate when you can. The members work hard at these events to ensure they are fun for the whole family. They recently solicited local businesses to support the acquisition of trading cards to be used during fire prevention activities.

As Swanzey continues to grow and develop, volunteers are being asked to respond more often. Making a living, careers, and family obligations do not leave much time for firefighting. Daytime response is extremely difficult with most of the Department's members working out of town. It is time to ask your support for additional staffing weekdays. Rest assured that there is plenty of work to be done between emergency calls. The required testing, inspections, and maintenance of safety equipment is vitally important to ensuring the safety of firefighters.

The following is a summary of the calls in 2005:

CO Alarm	7	Public Assist	13
MV Accident	97	Trees on Wires	11
Fire Alarm	39	False Alarm	19
Structure Fire	5	Chimney Fire	5
Brush Fire	2	Oil Burner Problem	8
Mutual Aid	38	Car Fire	4
LP Leak	7	Fire Investigations	1
Rescue Calls	424	Assist Police	5
Wilderness Rescue	1	Gas Spill	4
Electrical Odor/Fire	5	Miscellaneous	22
OHRV Accident	3	Stove Fire	5
Smoke in Bldg.	4	Illegal Burn	5
Oil Spill	2	Explosion	0
Water Problem	12	Aircraft Emergency	2
Service Call	4		
		Total:	760
		(Last year's Total 563)	

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvester Karasinski, Fire Chief

Board of Engineers

East
 Capt. Bruce Tatro
 Lt. Ron Fontaine
 Lt. David Page
 Lt. Eric Kerylow

Center
 Capt. Gerry Bell
 Lt. Keith Bell
 Lt. Geoff Davis
 Lt. Dave Packard

West
 Capt. Robert Crowell
 Lt. Steven Dunshee
 Lt. Robert Symonds
 Lt. Ray Phillips

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS 2005

The Department of Public Works was kept busy in 2005. Most of January had the Department dealing with winter storm operations. February was no better and March treated the Town to a good snow storm for town meeting. What was odd is that one storm in each of the first three months was declared a federal emergency. For that the Town received a check for \$24,376.87.

The Town did not experience an extreme mud season this year, which was welcome news. To protect certain roads during spring thaw, a load limit policy was posted.

One problem that showed up this past year was a number of metal culverts that were rotting out. This began in February when the crew could only temporarily fix the problem. Culverts were replaced on the Eaton Road, Woodale Avenue, Christian Hill Road, California Brook Road, and West Shore Road.

Summer projects included paving with cold mix on Warmac Road and Blake Road. Troy Hill Road, Meadow Road, Shirley Road, Trotter Lane, and a portion of Foxglove Lane were chip sealed. In August, we shim paved the Eaton Road to bring its shape back. The Department had a little money left in our paving budget; however, that was needed later when there were high water problems.

There was a lot going on in town with the state working on Ash Hill Road and Base Hill Road, developers adding to Arrowcrest Drive and C L Lane, and the North Swanzey Sewer, Water and Road Project. I would like to thank the residents in the area of North Swanzey for their patience with the project.

Toward fall I looked for some rain to have enough moisture in the ground to grade the gravel roads one last time before winter. September did not provide much, but October sure did. I am proud of the crew for working all Sunday and half of Monday to restore the major damage that we had in town. Given the time frame of approximately one month to repair things before winter the Department was lucky to get as far as we did. There is still a number of flood related projects to do next season. One of those is to replace the gate in the Lower Wilson Pond Dam that broke during the storm and prevented us from lowering the pond. Working with FEMA we were able to receive just over \$67,000 for the damage.

The snow held off until late in November, but it still kept us very busy. The crew has worked on every holiday since Columbus Day and has worked at least one day each weekend all through December.

Respectfully submitted,
Lee D. Dunham, Director

Trevor Hood
Todd Trombly
Ken Page
David Vito
Ann Bedaw
Scott Patnode
Mike Caron

SUPERVISOR OF CEMETERIES REPORT 2005

I have completed my thirteenth year as supervisor of the cemeteries. It's amazing how quickly the years go by.

There was a great deal of rain this past year which kept the grass green and healthy but created a small problem in the months of July and August as the grass grew faster than we could keep up. The crew was great and kept their spirits up and managed to get through the tough times while trying to stay ahead of the lawn care.

On November 26th the cemeteries closed for the winter season. Again as a reminder, people please do not drive through the cemeteries once the snow is on the ground. The tire tracks cause ruts and make it dangerous for those who walk through the cemeteries. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

I would like to thank everyone for their patience with us. The crew and I know we work for the best group of people. The Town of Swanzey is very lucky to have good people living in our town.

If you have any questions about cemetery procedures, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,
Morgan E. Wright, Supervisor of Cemeteries

RECYCLING CENTER 2005

Another busy year with new programs and new markets. A new milestone was tonnage of non-recyclables dropped (both actually and as a percentage of your household waste). Good for you! Income (including drop-off fees) has risen to \$93,500 and markets-while not the best-have remained healthy.

The new glass program is finally up and running well. The Center can now accept more grades of glass as well as ceramics (see attendant for details). You no longer have to separate by color, but please continue to rinse and remove caps and corks. After running the glass through our new crusher, it will be used locally as fill, grade, and drainage material. We also expect to use significant amounts to upgrade the rail trails. Please ask to see the new system.

The Center's new electronics recycling program is also now online. Items include TVs, computer and stereo components, microwaves, CD players, and radios (see an attendant for a complete list of items and charges). These items are shipped to a company that rehabs the salvageable items, or de-manufactures the "over the hill" items to remove and properly dispose of all hazardous materials.

Recycling Hours

Tuesdays & Fridays 7 am – 4 pm

Wednesdays 10 am – 6 pm

Saturdays 7 am – 5 pm

Respectfully submitted,

David Krisch, Solid Waste Manager

Gerry Laramie

Fred Danz

Dave Whipple

Carol Jeffrey

John Zanes

Roy Babcock

Kevin Fleming

Jim Morse

Ransom Webster

Bob Blodgett, Jr.

Marcus Dubois

Gerry Bussiere

SEWER COMMISSION REPORT 2005

2005 was a year of big changes for the Swanzey Sewer Commission.

The North Swanzey sewer project officially went on line on September 19th. There are approximately 70 residents and businesses hooked up to the system and there are approximately 275 more connections to go. The first hook up was made on October 17th.

The mandatory hook up period will begin in the spring of 2006 and conclude on July 31, 2006. Final paving of the roads in the project area will begin August 2006.

The EPA discharge permit for the West Swanzey Treatment Plant is still pending. Hopefully the new permit will be forthcoming in 2006.

Respectfully submitted,
Glenn W. Page, Chair

SEWER COMMISSION BUDGET 2006

Full Time Salaries	23,400
Overtime	750
Part Time Salaries	14,085
Commissioner's Salaries	3,000
Health/Dental Benefits	12,538
FICA Adjustment	3,239
Medicare Adjustment	757
ICMA Def. Comp	1,376
Workers Compensation Adjustment	650
Legal Fees & Advertising	500
Recording Fees CCRD	100
Office Support Services (50%)	11,000
Telephone	700
Electricity	15,000
LP Gas	3,000
Maintenance	5,000
Property Insurance	1,500
Software Maintenance	1,300
Supplies	1,000
Postage	500
Testing & Chemicals	5,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,000
Tools & Equipment	1,500
WW Debt Service	<u>61,356</u>
TOTAL SEWER COMMISSION	\$ 169,251
N. Swanzey Pass through users	18,900
N. Swanzey Collect. System users	<u>187,155</u>
TOTAL BUDGET ALL CUSTOMERS	\$375,306
2006 SEWER COMMISSION	

Sewer Commission Financial Reports

Sewer Fund Interim Trial Balance December 31, 2005	
Assets	
Cash	1,848
Investments	237,769
Taxes Receivable (User Fees)	47,419
Tax Liens Receivable (User Fees)	5,384
Total Assets	292,420
Liabilities	
Sewer Fees due to Keene	2,609
Due to Other Funds	10,771
Total Liabilities	13,380
Fund Equity 12/31/2005	\$279,040

Summary of Sewer Fund Revenue & Expenses 2005	
Revenues	
User Fees - West Swanzey Current Year	113,905.35
User Fees - North Swanzey Current Year	8,679.30
User Fees-Prior Years	50,454.71
Interest	490.51
Redemptions	2,294.02
Interest & Costs for Redemptions	416.92
Sewer Fund Interest	6,297.54
NH State Aid Grant & Misc. Income	14,699.00
Total Revenues	\$197,237.35
Expenditures	
Operating Expenses (see Detailed Statement of Payments all Funds)	152,440.79
Total Expenditures	\$152,440.79

North Swanzey Project Expenditures 2005	
Sewer Collection System & Pump Stations	2,851,608.99
Road and Drainage Improvements	199,446.14
Water Line Improvements (NS Water & Fire Precinct)	359,630.43
Total Expenditures 2005 (inc. construction, engineering & other)	\$3,410,685.56

**HCS-HOME HEALTHCARE, HOSPICE AND COMMUNITY
SERVICES
REPORT TO THE TOWN OF SWANZEY
JANUARY 1, 2005 TO DECEMBER 31, 2005**

ANNUAL REPORT

In 2005, HCS-Home Healthcare, Hospice and Community Services continued to provide home care and community services to the residents of Swanzey. The following information represents HCS's activities in Swanzey over the past 12 months.

SERVICE REPORT

<u>Services Offered</u>	<u>Services Provided</u>
Nursing	3,142 Visits
Physical Therapy	992 Visits
Speech Pathology	22 Visits
Occupational Therapy	178 Visits
Medical Social Work	143 Visits
Home & Community Based Care*	1,925 Hours
Home Health Aide	3,011 Visits
Homemaker	2,679 Hours
Adult in-home care	5,596 Hours
Outreach	77 Visits
Health Promotion Clinics	24 Clinics
Meals-on-wheels	15,561 Meals

*Home and Community Based Care is a Medicaid Program which offers extended home care services to individuals who are in need of nursing home level care but can be maintained at home for a lower cost.

Total Unduplicated Residents Served: 508

Prenatal care, hospice services and regularly scheduled wellness clinics and child health clinics are also available to residents. Town funding partially supports these services.

HCS FINANCIAL REPORT

The actual cost of all services provided in 2005 with all funding sources is \$1,199,948.

The total cost of home care services provided for a partial fee or at no charge to income eligible residents in 2005 was \$33,343. We anticipate that the town funding will contribute \$16,000. to the cost of home care and \$5,500. for the Meals-On-Wheels Program for Swanzey residents.

For 2006, we request an appropriation for \$16,000. to continue home care services for residents and \$8,665. for the Meals-On-Wheels Program. Thank you for your consideration.

REPORT OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2005

The Health Department is responsible for monitoring both drinking and swimming water at several locations, inspections of foster homes, day care and preschool facilities, investigation of housing complaints, septic system inspections, assistance in lead paint inspections and miscellaneous public health complaint investigations.

The following services were provided in 2005:

1.	Water Samples Collected	14
2.	Foster Homes, Day Care, Preschool Facilities	7
3.	Housing Inspections	2
4.	Septic System Inspections	9
5.	Miscellaneous Inspections	89
6.	Lead Paint Inspections	1
7.	Private Schools	3

The West Nile Virus Program will continue for 2006 with the same procedures as 2005. Statewide there were 45 birds tested for WNV. One bird was submitted to the state lab for testing and it was negative for West Nile Virus. Last year, 56 birds and 9 horses were tested statewide for EEE (Eastern Equine Encephalitis) along with 6 human cases.

A reminder of RSA 125-N, the state law which prohibits residential trash burning. Pamphlets on RSA 125-N are available at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert L. DeRocher, Health Officer

CARPENTER HOME 2005

The Carpenter Home is an assisted living facility for the elderly and is located on 230 acres near the Swanzy Town Hall. Lucy Carpenter granted the home and land with a sizeable restricted endowment to the Town of Swanzy. The Home provides assisted living services in a comfortable rural setting to both private pay and Medicaid recipients.

The facility is licensed for 16 residents and currently serves 14. Although resident census has yet to reach capacity, steps are being taken to do so and progress continues to be made toward this goal.

The residency continues to undergo changes in operations and programs. Work continued on deferred maintenance issues; updates were made to the heating system, and new floors were put in some of the rooms. Also, a new phone system was installed, as well as new lighting on the porch.

During 2005, the Carpenter Home stayed busy. In February the residents exchanged Valentines. The special education students from Monadnock Regional High School were good to our residents. In the spring the students made weekly visits to the Home and in the summer they helped us with the gardening and helped keep the Carpenter Home looking beautiful. In July the residents attended the Old Homestead play at the Potash Bowl. We hosted open houses in October and at Christmas time allowing our residents and their families, the staff and public to socialize together. The residents had a visit from Santa during our Christmas party. The students also donated poinsettia plants to each resident and wreaths for the holidays.

The residents also visited other facilities in the area for activities and programs. Last fall the residents attended the Senior Swingers Show at Monadnock Regional High School where our very own resident Carl Decker performed.

We continue to improve the quality of our services, and it is our hope that, in turn, it improves the quality of life for our residents. Deb Wright has joined us as activities coordinator. She brings her artistic talent to improve our daily programs with the residents.

As administrator I want to thank all who have supported our facility with their time and donations. We welcome anyone who would like to come in and volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering or helping in any other way please call me at 352-2269.

Please help us to continue making the Carpenter Home a valuable resource to the Town of Swanzy. The Carpenter Home intends to maintain financial independence while continuing to provide quality assisted living services to seniors in the Monadnock Region.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Rice, Administrator

Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund
Report of Operational Costs and Related Revenue 2005

Revenue

Resident Payments (Room & Board Received Jan. - Dec. 2005)	313,248.03
Room & Board Received in 2004 for 2005	6,967.35
Miscellaneous Income 2005	83.49
Less: Refunds	0.00
Resident Payments (2004 Receivables)	14,999.65
Resident Payments (2006 Receivables)	8,242.35
Revenue from Trust Funds for 2004 Operational Loss (included in 2004 AR)	8,402.55
Revenue from Trust Funds for 2005 Facility Improvements	14,098.83
Resident Personal Accounts Revenue (billings) 2005	2,245.52
Personal Accounts Revenue (allowances)	2,660.00
Community Integration Program Revenue	1,608.36

Receivables 12/31/2005

Resident Payments (Room & Board 2005) Receivables 12/31/05	2,879.92
State of New Hampshire (NH Medicaid-HCBC) Receivables	6,382.90
Residents Personal Items & Community Integration Receivables	56.00

Total Revenue & Receivables 2005	\$335,390.95
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Expenditures

Operational Costs - Budget 2005 (see Budget Report)	297,493.38
Facility Improvements funded through Trust Accounts	14,098.83
Resident Personal Accounts Expenses	2,299.10
Community Integration Program	863.66
Personal Allowances Remitted	2,348.00

Total Expenditures 2005	\$317,102.97
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Special Revenue Fund Gain (Loss) 12/31/2005	\$18,287.98
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Other Funds Available for Benefit of the Carpenter Home

Balance Available Carpenter Home Expendable Trust	\$24,190.00
Balance of Income Available in Other Trust Accounts	\$35,959.15
Income Generated during 2005 by Other Trust Accounts	\$18,139.41



MOUNT CAESAR UNION LIBRARY 2005

The library had a year of changes with the Library Director, Sue MacPhail, on extended leave and the installation of a new and long-awaited computer system. There is now an online catalog on a separate terminal for patrons to search the collection. The transition went quite smoothly with some glitches being worked out as we learned the program.

The Friends of the Library pitched in to organize parties and events for children and adults. The summer reading program "Camp Wannaread" was enjoyed by more than 75 young readers, many of whom attended the kick-off party as well as the Friends' biweekly events and final party. The library again received a grant from the NH Kids, Books and the Arts Program that enabled us to have Scott Kepnes entertain the crowd with his stories and songs.

New last year was a monthly Coffee Connection, a social event held for adults. The December gathering had a special display of quilts made by Swanzey resident Ruth Adams.

The Friends also held two basket raffles: a Spring one and a Christmas one to raise funds for special events and to pay for yearly passes to five area museums. My thanks to all the Friends who did so much to make 2005 programs happen.

Our appreciation to assistant, Nancy Carlson, who has left to pursue other interests and will be missed; and to volunteer Jenna Mazanowski, who has been spending an afternoon each week helping in many ways.

Thanks go to the Old Homestead Garden Club for maintaining and beautifying the library grounds and for donating Christmas wreaths for the front entry. Thanks also to the Town Department of Public Works for plowing the circular driveway and mowing the library lawns.

Respectfully submitted,
Darcy Doyle, Interim Librarian

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday & Wednesday 2:00-8:00 pm.
Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 am-5:00 pm.
Friday 11:00 am-4:00 pm.
Saturday 11:00 am-3:00 pm

MT. CAESAR UNION LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT
January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005

INCOME

Town Appropriation	45,583.49
Investment Income	1,533.25
Fines & Fees	820.26
Fund-raising	3,815.65
Donations, Memorial, Rotary	<u>1,600.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 53,352.65

EXPENDITURES

Operation:

Books, Magazines, etc.	9,552.49
Computer Expense	3,166.37
Supplies	1,134.50
Community Programs	315.00
Dues, Other	<u>40.00</u>
TOTAL OPERATIONS	\$ 14,208.36

Facility:

Insurance	1,788.00
Security	955.54
Utilities	6,002.28
Repairs	299.18
Custodian/Shoveling	<u>1,425.00</u>
TOTAL FACILITY EXPENSES	\$ 10,470.00

Other Expenses:

Mileage Expense	147.22
Subcontract Expense	575.00
Audit	300.00
Misc. Expense	200.00
Postage, Shipping	39.67
Antiquarian Society	<u>48.09</u>
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	\$ 1,309.98

Payroll:

Librarian	15,536.25
Asst. Librarian	8,351.91
Librarian Aid	718.13
Payroll Taxes	<u>1,944.93</u>
Total Payroll Expense	\$ 26,551.22
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 52,539.56
NET INCOME	\$ 813.09

Respectfully submitted,
Hazel Balch, Treasurer

STRATTON FREE LIBRARY 2005

We were pleased to report that patron visits and circulation had increased again this past year. There were 1,815 patron visits to the library and we added 57 new patrons. A total of 2,743 books, periodicals, audio books and videos were circulated throughout the year.

Three children earned a gift certificates for the Toadstool Bookshop. Each child read eight or more books during the summer reading program "Camp Wannaread."

Several improvements were made to the original library building. The old windowpanes were replaced with thermopanes, screens were installed, and new shades were purchased. The front door, exterior trim, and shutters were painted all of which were badly needed. The building looks quite nice. We installed oriental carpets that added a nice color to the library and will also help keep feet warm during the winter months.

Our assistant librarians are: Dolores Biron and Jennifer Gomarlo.

Our trustees are: Ruth S. Pratt, Chair; Alan Collette, Vic-Chair; Susan Ells, Secretary; Jennifer Gomarlo, Treasurer; Fran Esteves and Rob Kenney.

Please come in and check out our collection.

Library Hours

Tuesday 2:30-8:00 pm
Thursday 2:30-8:00 pm
Saturday 10:00-3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Haley, Librarian

**STRATTON FREE LIBRARY
TREASURER'S REPORT
YEAR 2005**

Balance on hand 1/1/2005	\$ 8,269.06
INCOME	
Town Appropriation	28,300.00
Checking Interest	21.77
Fines & Fees	213.30
Donations & Book Sale	190.28
Funds Transfer	9,822.68
	<u>9,822.68</u>
	\$ 38,548.03
EXPENDITURES	
Books & Publications	5,303.74
Payroll Expenses	10,527.78
Supplies & Postage	1,653.81
Utilities	1,763.96
Computer	1,512.04
Insurance	804.58
Repairs & Maint.	13,868.00
Misc	99.92
New Equipment	2,592.20
	<u>2,592.20</u>
	\$ 38,126.03
Balance on hand 12/15/2005	\$ 8,691.06

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Gomarlo, Treasurer

SWANZEY RECREATION COMMITTEE 2005

The Recreation Committee is always looking for help and new ideas, so please stop by and see us some time. This coming year the Committee hopes to offer some new and exciting things for all to partake in.

The Easter Bunny used the front of the high school building so the children did not have to hunt for eggs in the snow. There were about 125 little ones searching for eggs and visiting with the bunny. The Carpenter Home residents received some beautiful Easter Lilies with the help of some students from MRHS.

Summer camp was very busy with many campers. Tie dyeing was a great success again and the last day's activities were fun for all- including the adults. Hope to see many campers again next season.

Ice skating was offered free to Swanzey residents on the vacation days during the months of November, December and January with a group of forty or fifty people in attendance for each session.

The Carpenter Home was again in the holiday spirit with all their decorations around the Home. Stop in any time and visit. The residents love to have visitors.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Bohannon, Chair





1. Homestead Woolen Mill, West Swanzey, N.H. 3-14-36



3. Dyehouse, Homestead Woolen Mills, West Swanzey, N.H. 3-14-36

2006 Warrant

Town of Swanzey State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Swanzey in the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs:

FIRST SESSION

You are hereby notified to meet for the First (Deliberative) Session of the annual Town Meeting, to be held at the Monadnock Regional High School Auditorium, Swanzey, NH on **Tuesday, the seventh day of February 2006 at seven in the evening (7:00 p.m.)**. The First Deliberative Session will consist of explanation, discussion, debate of articles and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article, except election of officers and those whose wording is prescribed by State Law (Articles 1, 13 & 14).

SECOND SESSION

You are also notified to meet for the Second Session of the annual Town Meeting on **Tuesday, the fourteenth day of March 2006, at the Christian Life Fellowship Church, 211 Whitcomb Road, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.** to vote by official ballot to elect town officers, to vote by official ballot on warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First Session and those other official ballot questions whose wording is prescribed by State Law.

Article 1 To choose by ballot all necessary town officers including a Selectman, Town Moderator, Town Clerk, Supervisor of the Checklist, a Trustee of the Trust Funds, 2 Board of Adjustment members, 2 Planning Board members, 2 Old Home Day Committee members, a Library Trustee and Sewer Commissioner.

Article 2 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$ 4,726,385. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$ 4,575,971, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the town or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 3 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 576,775 to be placed in the following expendable trust and capital reserve accounts of the Town:

Expendable Trust Funds	Amount	Capital Reserve Funds	Amount
Town Hall Improvements	\$30,000	Fire Trucks	\$60,000
Town Hall Computers	\$15,000	Future Fire Station	\$65,000
Revaluations & Updates	\$35,000	Highway & Cemetery Equipment.	\$60,000
Police Facility Improvements	\$5,000	Town Bridges	\$30,000
Fire Station Maintenance	\$5,000	Recreation Facilities Improvements	\$15,000
Fire Tools & Equipment	\$10,000	Recycling Center Improvements	\$10,000
Emergency Communications	\$10,000	Sewer Line Extensions	\$10,000
Emergency Mgt. Facilities & Equip.	\$5,000	Mt. Caesar Union Library	\$2,000
Road Rehab. & Reconstruction	\$145,000	Conservation Land Acquisition	\$50,000
DPW Facility Improvements	\$10,000		
Cemetery Expansion & Layout	\$2,775		
Stratton Free Library	\$2,000		

or take any action thereon. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commission to establish a capital reserve fund for construction, reconstruction and improvements to collection and treatment infrastructure related to the North Swanzey sewer system and appoint the Sewer Commission as agents to expend the fund, or take any action thereon. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN & SEWER COMMISSIONERS)

Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the governing body, pursuant to RSA 674:5, to appoint a seven (7) member capital improvement program committee to prepare and amend a recommended program of municipal capital improvement projects projected over a period of at least 6 years, or take any action thereon. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 6 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,525 to fund activities of the Open Space Committee established as a result of the recommendations contained in the "Plan for the Protection of Open Space" adopted in 2004, or take any action thereon. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 7 To see if the town will vote to approve the cost items included in the collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Teamsters Local 633, Swanzey Police Officers which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits at the current staffing level:

Contract	Estimated
<u>Year</u>	<u>Increase</u>
2006	\$ 18,386

Contract	Estimated
<u>Year</u>	<u>Increase</u>
2007	\$ 18,934

and further raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 16,795 for the current calendar year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increases in salaries and benefits over those appropriations at current staffing levels paid in the prior calendar year. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 18,000 to hire and equip an additional police officer beginning in September 2006, or take any action thereon. If approved by voters, the full annual cost of this position estimated at \$55,000 will be included in the town's operating budget in 2007. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 30,000 to fund weekday daytime fire department coverage beginning in the fall of 2006 and designate this appropriation as non-lapsing pursuant to RSA 32:7,VI until December 31, 2007, or take any action thereon. *Note: This article is designated by Selectmen as a special warrant article and provides six months of funding for a trial period of weekday daytime fire coverage beginning in the fall of 2006 through March 2007.* (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 10 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 50,000 to reduce the risk of scour to the Thompson Covered Bridge, or take any action thereon. *Note: Engineers report that river water action is causing scour which undermines the bridge's center pier and abutments. Removal of the dam and impoundment, dropping the water depth at the covered bridge from an estimated 7 ½ feet to less than 2 ½ feet, increases its susceptibility to scour. Initial cost estimates to install scour countermeasures are \$ 500,000. Some possible methods to reduce the scour risk to the Thompson Covered Bridge include foundation reconstruction, streambed and embankment armoring, installation of a rock ramp preserving the impoundment or development of additional structural support for the bridge mitigating need for its center pier.* (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept a deed transferring (acquiring) ownership of and responsibility for reconstruction and future maintenance of the Homestead Woolen Mill Dam, so-called, impounding the Ashuelot River in the Village of West Swanzey immediately south of the Thompson Covered Bridge, or take any action thereon. *Note: The Homestead Woolen Mill Dam Final Feasibility Study estimates the cost of required reconstruction of the dam,*

with inclusion of fish passage, between \$1,065,000 and \$1,907,276.
(NOT RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 12 To see if the Town will vote to reclassify as a Class B Trail, subject to public trail use restrictions to be established by the Selectmen, a portion of Page Court approximately 50 feet in length extending easterly from its intersection with NH Route 32 to a turnaround area to be provided by 234 Old Homestead Realty LLC, such reclassification to be effective upon the completion and final acceptance by Selectmen of an improved intersection with NH Route 32 at Safford Drive now under construction to the south of the existing Page Court intersection, or take any action thereon. The existing sewer pipes, drains, water pipes or other utilities easements over and through the reclassified section of Page Court and the existing right of way interest of the town in this section shall remain in effect. (RECOMMENDED BY SELECTMEN)

Article 13 To vote by ballot on the following question submitted by petition:

“Shall we rescind the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2), as adopted by the Town of Swanzey on March 8, 2005, so that the official ballot will no longer be used for voting on all questions, but only for the election of officers and certain other questions for which the official ballot is required by state law?”

Note: The wording of this article is prescribed by statute and not subject to amendment at the deliberative session. (3/5's majority required)

Article 14 To vote by ballot on the following seven (7) amendments to the Swanzey Zoning Ordinance proposed by the Planning Board and one amendment proposed by petition:

Note: The wording of these zoning questions is prescribed by statute. Neither the text of the amendments nor the wording of these ballot questions are subject to amendment at the town deliberative session.

Amendment No. 1: Are you in favor of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

1. Delete the following:

“Section IX Flood Plain Development Ordinance (Amended March 10, 1987)
The following regulations shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in its Flood Insurance Study for the Town of Swanzey, New Hampshire’ together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps and Flood Boundary and Floodway maps

of the Town of Swanzey, dated May 5, 1981, which are declared to be part of this ordinance.”

Replace with the following:

“Section IX Flood Plain Development Ordinance

The following regulations in this ordinance shall apply to all lands designated as special flood hazard areas by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in its ‘Flood Insurance Study for the County of Cheshire, NH’ (preliminary) dated September 30, 2004 to be superseded by the study dated May 23, 2006 or as amended, together with the associated Flood Insurance Rate Maps (preliminary) dated September 30, 2004 to be superseded by the maps dated May 23, 2006 or as amended, which are declared to be part of this ordinance and are hereby incorporated by reference.”

2. Amend the following definitions to read as follows:

Area of special flood hazard is the land in the flood plain within the Town of Swanzey subject to a 1 percent or greater chance of flooding in any given year. The area is designated as Zone [A, AE] on the Flood Insurance Rate Map.

Development means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation or drilling operations or storage of equipment or materials. (Note: This definition appears in the opening paragraph of Section IX, Flood Plain District Regulations and Item I, Definitions, of the Flood Plain Development Regulations.)

Manufactured home means a structure, transportable in one or more sections, which is built on a permanent chassis and is designed for use with or without a permanent foundation when attached to the required utilities. For floodplain management purposes the term “manufactured home” includes park trailers, travel trailers, and other similar vehicles placed on site for greater than 180 consecutive days. This includes manufactured homes located in a manufactured home park or subdivision.

Regulatory floodway means the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than a designated height.

Start of Construction includes substantial improvement, and means the date the building permit was issued provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition placement, or other improvement was within 180 days of the permit date. The actual start means either the first placement of permanent construction of a structure on a site, such as the pouring of slab or footings, the installation of piles, the construction of columns, or any work beyond the stage of excavation; or the placement of a manufactured home on a foundation. Permanent construction does not include land preparation, such as clearing, grading and filling; nor does it include the installation of streets and/or walkways; nor does it include excavation for a basement, footings, piers, or foundations or the erection of temporary forms;

nor does it include the installation on the property of accessory buildings, such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or not part of the main structure.

Substantial improvement means any combination of repairs, reconstruction, alteration, or improvements to a structure in which the cumulative cost equals or exceeds fifty percent of the market value of the structure. The market value of the structure should equal:

- (a) the appraised value prior to the start of the initial repair or improvement, or
- (b) in the case of damage, the value of the structure prior to the damage occurring.

For the purposes of this definition, "substantial improvement" is considered to occur when the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor, or other structural part of the building commences, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the structure. This term includes structures which have incurred substantial damage, regardless of actual repair work performed. The term does not, however, include any project for improvement of a structure required to comply with existing health, sanitary, or safety code specifications which are solely necessary to assure safe living conditions or any alteration of a "historic structure", provided that the alteration will not preclude the structure's continued designation as a "historic structure".

3. Add the following definitions:

Manufactured home park or subdivision means a parcel (or contiguous parcels) of land divided into two or more manufactured home lots for rent or sale.

Violation means the failure of a structure or other development to be fully compliant with the community's flood plain management regulations. A structure or other development without the elevation certificate, other certifications, or other evidence of compliance required in 44CFR § 60.3(b)(5), (c)(4), (c)(10), (d)(3), (e)(2), (e)(4), or (e)(5) is presumed to be in violation until such time as that documentation is provided.

4. Delete the following definitions:

Breakaway Wall

Flood Boundary and Floodway Map

5. Amend the 4th paragraph in Section IX, Item VII to read as follows:

Until a Regulatory Floodway is designated along watercourses, no new construction, substantial improvements, or other development (including fill) shall be permitted within zone AE on the FIRM, unless it is demonstrated by the applicant that the cumulative effect of the proposed development, when combined with all existing and anticipated development, will not increase the water surface elevation of the base flood more than one foot at any point within the community.

Amendment No. 2: Are you in favor of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Amend the zoning map of the Town of Swanzey dated September 1, 1947, as amended, to show property known as Tax Map 58, Lot 47 (currently owned by Tory W. Frazier, known as 28 South Grove Street, consisting of 2.7 acres, more or less) as being in the Village Business District.

Amendment No. 3: Are you in favor of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Amend Section III, Item V to read as follows:

“During construction or rehabilitation of any permanent structure, the Board of Selectmen may permit the temporary occupancy of a manufactured housing unit or recreational vehicle on any lot in any district for a period not to exceed six (6) months, provided the manufactured housing unit meets all other requirements of this ordinance. Such temporary permit shall automatically expire six (6) months after issuance.

Amendment No. 4: Are you in favor of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Amend Section II. Zoning Districts and Zoning Maps A. Districts

1. Rural/Agricultural District to read as follows:

“1. Rural/Agricultural District. This district is designed to accommodate residences and agricultural uses in what is commonly recognized as being a rural atmosphere. The property included within this district will generally be agriculture and forestry, low-density housing, open space protection, water supply protection, and recreation. This district is the potential future growth area for the town and is carefully controlled with monitoring, planning and re-zoning to prevent scattered and premature development.”

Amendment No. 5: Are you in favor of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

1. Delete from Section XIII Definitions the following definition:

BOCA Code or BOCA National Building Code.

2. Amend Section III-A Swanzey Building Regulations by adding a new item as follows:

III-A.9. Installation of New Septic Systems. New septic systems may not be installed until a building permit for a structure to be served by the new septic system has been issued by the Town of Swanzey.

Amendment No. 6: Are you in favor of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

1. **Amend** the zoning map of the Town of Swanzey dated September 1, 1947, as amended, to show property known as Tax Map 87, Lot 2 that is currently located in the Business Zoning District (currently owned by Pine Grove MHP Cooperative, Inc.) as being in the Residence District.

Amendment No. 7: Are you in favor of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

Add new Section III.Y. as follows:

Y. RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, TENTS AND HOMEMADE SHELTERS

No occupied recreational vehicle, tent or homemade shelter shall be permitted to be placed on any lot for a period of more than fourteen (14) consecutive days. Occupied recreational vehicles, tents and homemade shelters that have been on a property for fourteen (14) consecutive days must be removed from the property for at least twenty-eight (28) consecutive days before re-occupying the same property. This provision does not apply to commercial campgrounds approved by the Swanzey Planning Board or to the provisions of Section III.V. Temporary Manufactured Housing Permits.

Add Definitions to Section XIII as follows:

Tent: A portable shelter consisting of canvas, skins or nylon type material stretched over poles.

Homemade Shelter: A rudimentary structure intended for protection from the elements. Typically built in a hap-hazard way and not to any construction standard.

Recreational Vehicle: A vehicle which is built on (i) a single chassis; (ii) 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection; (iii) designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and (iv) designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel, or seasonal use.

Amendment No. 8: Are you in favor of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by petition for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

In Section IV.A.2. (uses permitted by Special Exception in the Rural/Agricultural District) **delete** Item IV.A.2.c. that currently reads as follows:

IV.A.2.c. Multi-family dwelling(s). The density requirement for a multi-family dwelling(s) shall be three (3) acres for the first two dwelling units and one half (1/2) acre for each additional dwelling unit, unless connected to public sewer. The density requirement for a multi-family dwelling(s) connected to public sewer shall be three (3) acres.


Note: The Swanzey Planning Board does not support approval of this amendment.

Article 15 To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting, or take any action thereon.

Given under our hand and seal this twenty-fifth day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand six.


Robert A. Beauregard

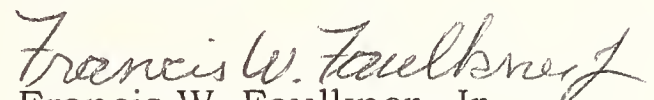

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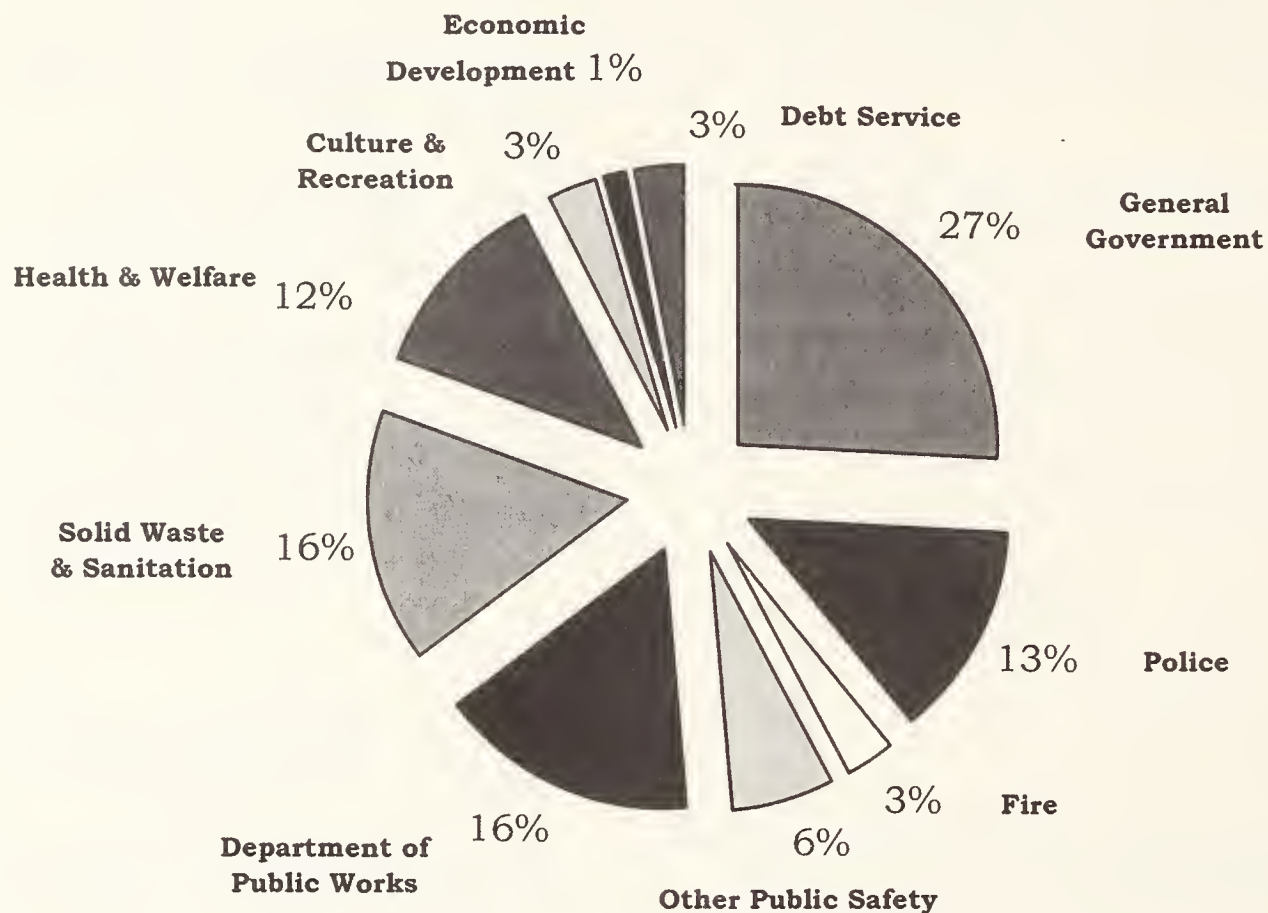
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2006 Recommended Town Operating Budget excluding individual articles



Purpose of Appropriation	Approved 2005	Expended 2005	Recommended 2006
General Government	1,098,465	1,011,904	1,221,675
Police	547,643	536,179	623,000
Fire	179,844	179,736	156,870
Other Public Safety	297,007	322,941	294,352
Department of Public Works	683,411	719,274	757,963
Solid Waste & Sanitation	502,375	473,630	747,856
Health & Welfare	450,604	481,354	566,589
Culture & Recreation	135,399	126,943	144,366
Economic Development	-	-	70,832
Debt Service	160,250	156,850	142,882
Recommended Operating Budget	\$4,054,998	\$4,008,811	\$4,726,385
Individual & Special Articles	71,792		119,320
Reserves & Trusts	382,100		576,775
Total Recommended Appropriations	\$4,508,890		\$5,422,480

RECOMMENDED BUDGET 2006

Town of Swanzey, New Hampshire

Purpose of Appropriation	Approved 2005	Expended 2005	Recommended 2006
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive	89,003	89,267	94,570
Elections, Registrations & Vital Statistics	71,267	69,160	83,768
Financial Administration	102,230	93,840	107,255
Reappraisal of Property	32,400	22,889	35,550
Legal & Professional Services	90,266	77,227	94,110
Personel Administration	138,650	134,765	161,400
Land Use Boards	93,129	85,182	109,257
General Government Bdgs	17,240	17,486	18,750
Insurance	428,025	386,824	479,690
Other General Government	36,255	35,263	37,325
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department	547,643	536,179	623,000
Fire Department	179,844	179,736	156,870
OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY			
Special Duty Police	10,000	63,026	10,000
School Resource Officer	64,034	63,618	68,665
Drug Task Force Replacement Officer	24,163	20,587	-
Regional Prosecutor	138,632	125,662	155,175
Special Duty Fire	1,500	2,087	1,500
Ambulance Service	29,435	29,000	29,436
Emergency Management	29,243	18,961	29,576
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			
Highways, Streets & Bridges	576,950	615,201	635,625
Cemetery & Parks Maintenance	85,361	85,660	101,238
Street Lighting	19,000	17,075	19,000
Dams	2,100	1,338	2,100
SANITATION & SOLID WASTE			
Recycling Center	334,345	321,189	372,550
Sewer Commission	168,030	152,441	375,306
HEALTH & WELFARE			
Health Officer	4,169	3,952	4,279
Animal Control	10,000	5,659	10,000
Health & Welfare Agencies	42,750	42,750	51,035
General Assistance	97,710	131,500	134,300
Carpenter Home	295,975	297,493	366,975
CULTURE & RECREATION			
Libraries	76,384	76,102	85,441
Memorial & Old Home Day	5,990	4,209	6,000
Recreation Committee	53,025	46,633	52,925
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
Swanzey Revenue Development District (TIF District)			70,832
DEBT SERVICE			
Principal - Long term Bonds	156,524	156,524	90,614
Interest - Long term Bonds	326	326	48,768
Tax Anticipation Note Interest	3,400	-	3,500
RECOMMENDED OPERATING BUDGET	\$4,054,998	\$4,008,811	\$4,726,385

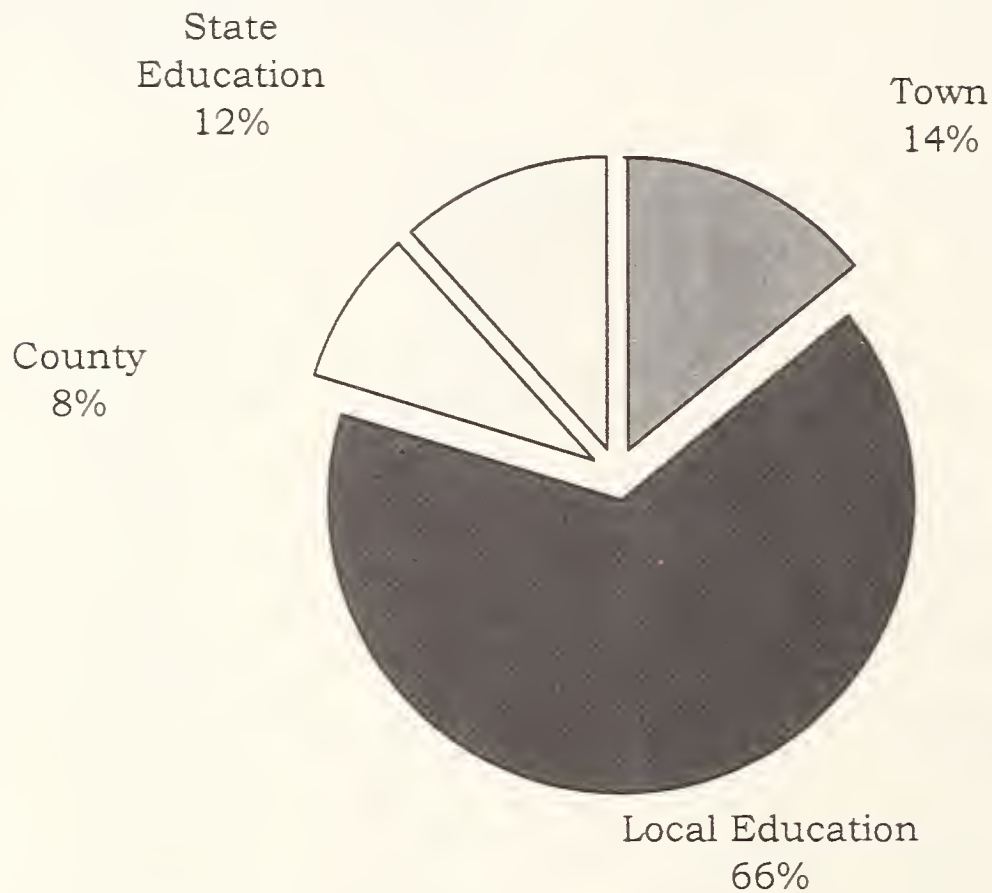
INDIVIDUAL & SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES	Approved 2005	Expended 2005	Recommended 2006
<u>2006 Individual & Special Articles</u>			
Open Space Committee	2,500	669	4,525
Police Collective Bargaining Agreement	-	-	16,795
Additional Full Time Police Officer (Sept. 2006)	-	-	18,000
Fire Dept Day Time Coverage (Fall 2006)	-	-	30,000
Thompson Bridge Scour	-	-	50,000
<u>2005 Individual & Special Articles</u>			
Code Enforcement (FT Spring 05)	17,140	5,145	<i>inc. in Op Budget 06</i>
Police Cruisers Lease	27,000	26,114	<i>inc. in Op Budget 06</i>
Retention DTFR Police Off. 1/2 Yr	27,652	22,145	<i>inc. in Op Budget 06</i>
Town Hall Expendable Trust	5,000	5,000	<i>inc. in CR/EX 06</i>
Fire Station Expendable Trust	5,000	5,000	<i>inc. in CR/EX 06</i>
Fire Tools & Equip. Expendable Trust	10,000	10,000	<i>inc. in CR/EX 06</i>
Cap. Reserve & Expendable Trust Funds	362,100	362,100	576,775
RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATIONS	\$4,511,390	\$4,444,985	\$5,422,480

ESTIMATED REVENUES	Estimated 2005	Actual 2005	Estimated 2006
TAX COLLECTOR			
Land Use Change Taxes	40,000	56,500	45,000
Yield Taxes	35,000	47,991	35,000
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	70,000	74,046	80,000
Excavation Taxes	2,350	2,354	3,000
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE			
Shared Revenue	311,394	311,394	320,000
Highway Grant	161,270	161,270	156,609
Water Pollution Grant (WS System)	12,569	12,569	12,271
Water Pollution Grant (NS System)	-	-	46,934
Forest Fires	1,000	1,557	1,000
Federal & State Disaster Grant	-	-	-
School Resource Officer	64,034	66,541	68,665
Regional Prosecutor Program	100,497	91,255	120,327
Drug Task Force Replacement Police Officer	20,000	22,406	-
LICENSES & PERMITS			
Vehicle Registrations	1,050,000	1,104,906	1,080,000
Dog Licenses & Dog Fines	8,500	9,368	9,000
Town Clerk Licenses & Permits	24,000	29,530	30,000
Building Permits	50,000	58,169	50,000
Event & Other Permits	2,250	2,600	2,500
INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS			
General Government	2,500	6,619	4,000
Land Use Boards	12,000	14,806	14,000
Police & Animal Control	10,000	12,457	14,000
Special Duty Police	10,000	73,931	10,000
Fire Department	350	304	500
Special Duty Fire	1,500	5,201	1,500
Emergency Management	15,000	13,701	15,500
Highways, Streets & Bridges	7,000	7,025	5,000
Cemeteries	6,000	7,075	7,000
Recycling Center	88,000	92,688	108,700
Recreation Cttee	30,000	32,940	33,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE			
Interest on Deposits	115,000	126,819	126,000
Sale of Town Property	1,650	1,843	5,000
Repayment of General Assistance	2,250	4,559	1,000
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	15,000	15,689	16,500
OTHER FINANCING			
Income from Sewer Department	155,461	155,461	316,100
Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund	295,975	314,722	366,975
Swanzey Revenue Development District	-	-	70,832
Capital Reserve/Trust Fund Withdrawals	3,000	4,222	29,500
Fund Balance	350,000	350,000	600,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES	\$3,073,550	\$3,292,519	\$3,805,413
TOTAL RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATIONS			\$5,422,480
LESS ESTIMATED REVENUES			\$3,805,413
NET RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATIONS			\$1,617,067

Tax Rate & Commitments 2005

Tax Rate Information	2003 Tax Rate	2004 Tax Rate	2005 Tax Rate	2005 Commitment
Town Rate	5.42	3.46	3.40	\$1,544,266
Local Education Tax Rate	21.22	14.48	15.62	\$7,091,348
County Rate	3.37	2.14	2.02	\$918,219
State Education Rate	6.09	2.87	2.81	\$1,266,484
Total Town Wide Tax Rate	\$36.10	\$22.95	\$23.85	\$10,820,317
NS Water & Fire Precinct	0.61	0.75	0.65	\$47,289
Perry Lane Lighting Precin	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

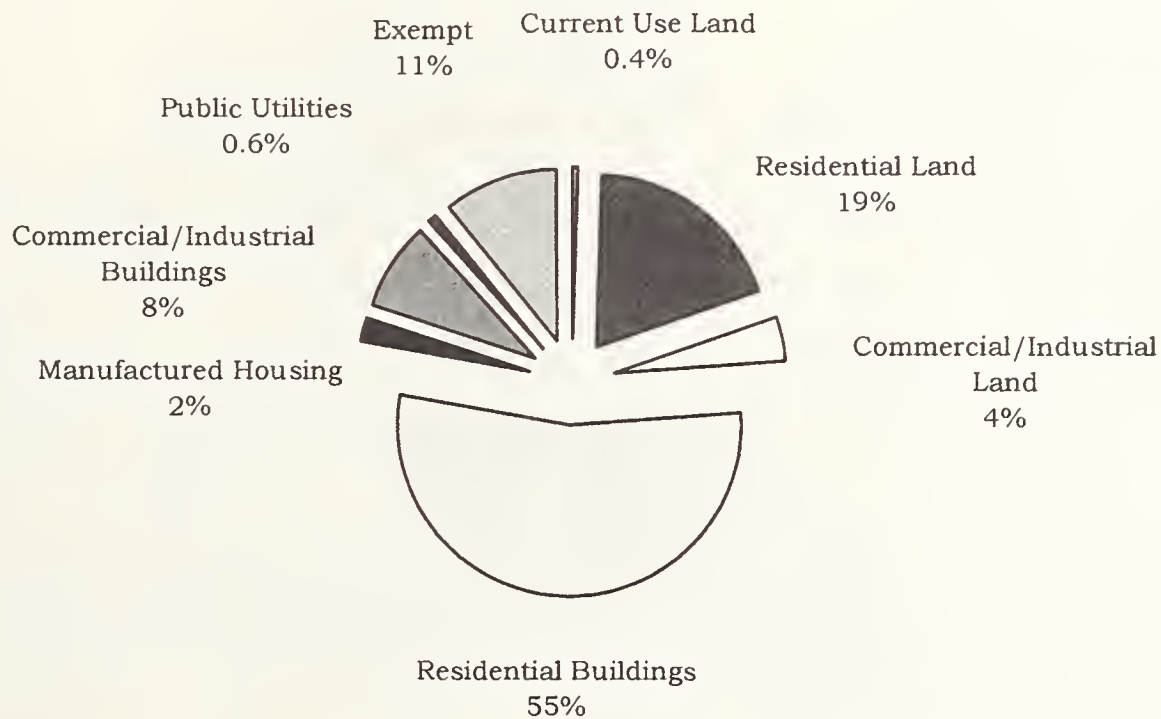
Tax Rate 2005



Summary of Assessed Valuation 2005

Breakdown of Assessed Valuation	Town of Swanzev	NS Water & Fire	Perry Ln Light
Current Use Land	2,134,295	21,366	0
Residential Land	98,792,850	15,571,030	0
Commercial/Industrial Land	21,261,418	3,508,800	0
Residential Buildings	275,835,446	39,262,700	4,347,900
Manufactured Housing	12,104,700	101,400	0
Commercial/Industrial Buildings	42,453,421	14,112,200	0
Public Utilities	3,285,621	448,500	0
Total Value Before Statutory Exemptions	\$455,867,751	\$73,025,996	\$4,347,900
EXEMPTIONS			
Certain Disabled Veterans	249,700	0	0
Blind Exemptions	114,400	30,000	0
Elderly Exemptions	1,411,100	240,000	30,000
Solar Exemptions	23,440	3,250	0
Total Value of Statutory Exemptions	\$1,798,640	\$273,250	\$30,000
Exempt Land (not included above)	17,651,902	7,442,700	0
Exempt Buildings (not included above)	38,315,279	13,347,000	0
NET VALUATION LOCAL TAX RATES	\$454,069,111	\$72,752,746	\$4,317,900
NET VALUATION STATE EDUCATION RATE (less utilities)			\$450,783,490

Breakdown of 2005 Assessed Value



Estimate of Homeowner Cost for Recommended 2006 Town Budget
Town of Swanzey, NH

Purpose of Appropriation	Recommended Budget 2006	% of Total Budget	Estimated Dollars Per Year Based On Assessed Value		
			100k Home	150k Home	200k Home
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Executive	94,570	2.1%	\$7.40	\$11.11	\$14.81
Elections/Reg./Vital Statistics	83,768	1.8%	\$6.56	\$9.84	\$13.12
Financial Administration	107,255	2.3%	\$8.40	\$12.60	\$16.80
Reappraisal of Property	35,550	0.8%	\$2.78	\$4.18	\$5.57
Legal & Professional Services	94,110	2.0%	\$7.37	\$11.05	\$14.74
Personel Administration	161,400	3.5%	\$12.64	\$18.96	\$25.27
Land Use Boards	109,257	2.4%	\$8.55	\$12.83	\$17.11
General Government Bdgs	18,750	0.4%	\$1.47	\$2.20	\$2.94
Insurance	479,690	10.4%	\$37.56	\$56.34	\$75.12
Other General Government	37,325	0.8%	\$2.92	\$4.38	\$5.84
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police Department	623,000	13.5%	\$48.78	\$73.17	\$97.56
Fire Department	156,870	3.4%	\$12.28	\$18.42	\$24.56
OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY					
Special Duty Police	10,000		Funded by User Fees - No tax rate impact		
School Resource Officer	68,665	1.5%	\$5.38	\$8.06	\$10.75
Drug Task Force Rep. Officer	-	0.0%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Regional Prosecutor	155,175	3.4%	\$12.15	\$18.22	\$24.30
Special Duty Fire	1,500		Funded by User Fees - No tax rate impact		
Ambulance Service	29,436	0.6%	\$2.30	\$3.46	\$4.61
Emergency Management	29,576	0.6%	\$2.32	\$3.47	\$4.63
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS					
Highways/Streets/Bridges	635,625	13.8%	\$49.77	\$74.65	\$99.54
Cemetery & Parks Maint	101,238	2.2%	\$7.93	\$11.89	\$15.85
Street Lighting	19,000	0.4%	\$1.49	\$2.23	\$2.98
Dams	2,100	0.0%	\$0.16	\$0.25	\$0.33
SANITATION/SOLID WASTE					
Recycling Center	372,550	8.1%	\$29.17	\$43.75	\$58.34
Sewer Commission	375,306		Funded by User Fees - No tax rate impact		
HEALTH/WELFARE					
Health Officer	4,279	0.1%	\$0.34	\$0.50	\$0.67
Animal Control	10,000	0.2%	\$0.78	\$1.17	\$1.57
Health & Welfare Agencies	51,035	1.1%	\$4.00	\$5.99	\$7.99
General Assistance	134,300	2.9%	\$10.52	\$15.77	\$21.03
Carpenter Home	366,975		Funded by User Fees & Trusts - No tax rate impact		
CULTURE/RECREATION					
Libraries	85,441	1.9%	\$6.69	\$10.03	\$13.38
Memorial & Old Home Day	6,000	0.1%	\$0.47	\$0.70	\$0.94
Recreation Committee	52,925	1.2%	\$4.14	\$6.22	\$8.29
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
Swanzey Revenue Develop. District	70,832		Funded by Tax Increment - No tax rate impact		
DEBT SERVICE					
Principal - Long term Bonds	90,614	2.0%	\$7.09	\$10.64	\$14.19
Interest - Long term Bonds	48,768	1.1%	\$3.82	\$5.73	\$7.64
Tax Anticipation Note Interest	3,500	0.1%	\$0.27	\$0.41	\$0.55
RECOMMENDED BUDGET	\$ 4,726,385		\$305.50	\$458.25	\$611.00
INDIVIDUAL & SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES					
2006 Special Articles					
Open Space Committee	4,525	0.1%	\$0.35	\$0.53	\$0.71
Additional Full Time Officer (9/1/2006)	18,000	0.4%	\$1.42	\$2.12	\$2.83
Fire Dept Day Time Coverage (Fall 2006)	30,000	0.7%	\$2.35	\$3.52	\$4.70
Police Collective Bargaining Agreement	16,795	0.4%	\$1.32	\$1.97	\$2.63
Thompson Bridge Scour	50,000	1.1%	\$3.91	\$5.87	\$7.83
Cap Reserve/Expendable Trusts	576,775	12.5%	\$45.16	\$67.74	\$90.32
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$ 5,422,480	100.0%	\$360.00	\$540.00	\$720.00



Comparative Statement of Receipts, Receivables and Expenditures 2005

Line Items	Appropriations 2005	Receipts, inc. Acct. Receivable & Reimbursements	Amount Available	Expended 2005	Available Balance (Overdraft)
General Government	1,098,465	21,424.66	1,098,465.00	1,011,904.02	86,560.98
Police Department	547,643	12,456.99	547,643.00	536,178.77	11,464.23
Fire Department	179,844	304.00	179,844.00	179,736.40	107.60
Special Duty Police	10,000	73,931.25	73,931.25	63,026.12	10,905.13
School Resource Officer	64,034	63,618.13	64,034.00	63,618.13	415.87
Drug Task Force Rep. Officer	24,163	22,405.67	24,163.00	20,587.06	3,575.94
Regional Prosecutor	138,632	90,392.35	141,111.24	125,661.94	15,449.30
Special Duty Fire	1,500	5,200.84	5,200.84	2,087.46	3,113.38
Ambulance Service	29,435	0.00	29,435.00	29,000.00	435.00
Emergency Management	29,243	13,701.29	29,243.00	18,960.68	10,282.32
Highways, Streets & Bridges	576,950	52,250.50	622,175.28	615,200.62	6,974.66
Cemeteries & Parks	85,361	7,075.00	85,361.00	85,660.14	(299.14)
Street & Bridge Lights	19,000	0.00	19,000.00	17,074.93	1,925.07
Dams	2,100	0.00	2,100.00	1,337.99	762.01
Recycling Center	334,345	92,688.39	334,345.00	321,188.90	13,156.10
Sewer Commission	168,030	0.00	168,030.00	152,440.79	15,589.21
Health Officer	4,169	0.00	4,169.00	3,951.93	217.07
Animal Control	10,000	0.00	10,000.00	5,659.21	4,340.79
Health Agencies	42,750	0.00	42,750.00	42,749.99	0.01
General Assistance	97,710	4,558.88	97,710.00	131,499.54	(33,789.54)
Carpenter Home Operating Expenses	295,975	314,722.24	314,722.24	297,493.38	17,228.86
Libraries	76,384	0.00	76,384.00	76,101.88	282.12
Recreation	53,025	32,940.00	53,025.00	46,632.58	6,392.42
Old Home Day/Memorial Day	5,990	0.00	5,990.00	4,209.02	1,780.98
Debt Service	160,250	0.00	160,250.00	156,850.00	3,400.00
Open Space Committee	2,500	0.00	2,500.00	669.34	1,830.66
Main Street Land Acquisition	0	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,650.00	1,350.00
Code Enforcement (FT)	17,140	0.00	17,140.00	5,144.85	11,995.15
Lease of Cruisers	27,000	0.00	27,000.00	26,114.39	885.61
Retention Drug Task Force Officer	27,652	0.00	27,652.00	22,145.18	5,506.82
Capital Reserve & Expendable Trusts	382,100	0.00	382,100.00	382,100.00	0.00
<u>Withdrawn Reserves & Trusts & Grants</u>					
Fire Act Grant	0.00	19,402.62	19,402.62	19,402.62	0.00
Homeland Security Grants	0.00	15,984.00	15,984.00	15,984.00	0.00
Police Facility Improvements	0.00	796.57	796.57	796.57	0.00
West Street Bridge Project	0.00	588,025.20	588,025.20	588,025.20	0.00
NH Route 32 Sidewalk (Shoulder)	0.00	3,174.60	3,174.60	3,174.60	0.00
Recreational Trail Grant	0.00	4,257.34	4,257.34	1,757.22	2,500.12
Richardson Park Improvements	0.00	13,315.64	13,315.64	13,315.64	0.00
DPW F-350 Truck	0.00	29,232.00	29,232.00	29,232.00	0.00
Recycling Center Improvements	0.00	17,205.11	17,205.11	17,205.11	0.00
Stratton Library Windows	0.00	9,822.68	9,822.68	9,822.68	0.00
Carpenter Home Improvements	0.00	14,098.83	14,098.83	14,098.83	0.00
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>					
Land Use Professional Services	0.00	7,132.45	7,132.45	7,132.45	0.00
Drug Task Force Overtime	0.00	1,011.21	1,011.21	793.87	217.34
Swansey Rev. Development District	0.00	500,000.00	500,000.00	212,735.73	287,264.27
Carpenter Home Resident Accounts	0.00	4,905.52	4,905.52	4,647.10	258.42
Carp. Home Programs & Donations	0.00	1,608.36	1,608.36	863.66	744.70
Cemetery Trust Funds	0.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	2,300.00	0.00
Cemetery Lot Assignments	0.00	5,700.00	5,700.00	0.00	5,700.00
Cemetery Cornerstones	0.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,400.00	200.00
Crabapple Tree Fund	0.00	650.00	650.00	600.00	50.00
Conservation Commission	0.00	2,318.78	2,318.78	2,318.78	0.00
Insurance Claims, COBRA & Retirees	0.00	14,110.26	14,110.26	13,973.78	136.48
TOTAL	\$ 4,511,390	\$2,053,211.10	\$5,891,014.76	\$5,392,241.30	\$498,773.46

GENERAL FUND DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS 2005		
FROM LOCAL TAXES	Property Taxes - Current Year (CY)	9,019,114.88
	Property Taxes - Previous Year (PY)	589,690.98
	Tax Liens Redeemed	277,259.57
	Land Use Change Tax (CY & PY)	68,000.00
	Yield (Timber) Taxes (CY & PY)	52,057.27
	Excavation Taxes (CY)	2,354.12
	Tax Interest/Int & Penalties-Redemptions	74,046.12
TOTAL FROM LOCAL TAXES		10,082,522.94
LICENSES & PERMITS	Motor Vehicle Registrations	1,105,884.91
	Dog Licenses & Fines	9,401.50
	Fees & Dog Escrow Remitted to State	11,380.00
	Town Clerk Fees & Licenses	29,529.70
	Building, Event & Other Permits	61,007.99
TOTAL LICENSES & PERMITS		1,217,204.10
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	Shared Revenue	346,860.06
	Highway Block Grant	161,270.42
	NH DOT Bridge Aid (West Street Bridge)	322,745.53
	School Resource Officer Program	66,540.93
	Regional Prosecutor Program	91,255.17
	Drug Task Force Rep. Officer, Details & OT	23,416.86
	Fire Act Grant/Forest Fire & Misc. PD Grants	36,277.61
	FEMA Disaster Relief Funds	85,225.28
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES		1,137,849.20
CHARGES FOR SERVICES (Income from Departments)	Police Department	13,143.60
	Recycling Center	92,688.39
	Highways, Streets & Bridges	7,025.22
	Cemeteries	7,075.00
	Fire Department	304.00
	Emergency Management	13,701.29
	General Government including Land Use	21,702.95
	Recreation Programs	33,020.00
	Special Duty Police & Fire	79,132.19
TOTAL CHARGES FOR SERVICES		267,792.64
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	Interest on Deposits (General Fund)	126,819.43
	Sale of Town Property	1,843.16
	Repayment of General Assistance/Deferrals	14,931.44
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES		143,594.03
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	Withdrawals- Various Capital Reserves & Trusts	195,935.87
	Cemetery Stone/Lot Assign./Trees/Trust Accts	10,250.00
	Reimbursement Sewer/Conservation Commissions	154,950.59
	Insurance Claims/Retirees Insurance	14,110.26
	Payments in Lieu of Taxes	7,930.54
	Slate Bridge (Kingsbury Foundation Pledge)	6,545.00
	Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund	335,832.90
	Carpenter Home Resident Accounts/Special Care	6,513.88
	Land Use Professional Services Reimbursed	8,791.20
	North Swanzey Project	2,863,218.00
	Bond Proceeds SRDD (TIF District)	500,000.00
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		4,104,078.24
TOTAL RECEIPTS RECEIVED BY TREASURER		\$16,953,041.15

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS ALL FUNDS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Executive		Elections, Registrations & Vital Statistics	
Personnel	79,699.24	Personnel	64,520.22
NHMA Dues	4,051.28	Election, Registration & VS Supplies	1,850.80
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,311.87	Postage/Advertising	1,970.70
Town Report Printing	3,205.00	New Equipment	818.79
Total Executive	\$89,267.39	Total Elections, Registrations & VS	\$69,160.51
Financial Administration		Reappraisal of Property	
Personnel	79,337.22	Personnel	14,339.00
Accounting & Banking Services	12,099.54	General Expenses	250.00
Printing of Bills & New Equipment	2,402.83	Software Maintenance	8,300.00
Total Financial Administration	\$93,839.59	Total Reappraisal of Property	\$22,889.00
Legal & Professional Services		Social Security & Retirement	
Legal Services	25,479.17	FICA	58,961.90
IT Professional Services & Software	36,144.45	Medicare	19,325.25
IT Web Site/Misc. Services & Equipment	3,624.52	NH Retirement	33,500.58
Professional Services - Misc.	4,269.22	ICMA Retirement	22,976.86
Regional Planning Commission Dues	7,710.00	Total Social Security & Retirement	\$134,764.59
Legal & Professional Services	\$77,227.36	General Government Buildings	
Land Use Boards		Janitorial Services Town Hall	2,208.48
Personnel	75,322.47	Town Hall Electricity	3,018.96
Plan Recording	412.00	Town Hall Heating Fuel	2,225.64
Advertisements	2,409.98	Town Hall Building Maintenance	3,695.82
Subscriptions	273.00	Town Hall Alarm System	685.00
Postage	2,499.40	Town Hall Supplies	807.83
Supplies, Printing & Prof. Services	536.73	Whitcomb Hall Repairs & Maintenance	1,825.00
Mileage (Code Enforcement)	2,449.87	Whitcomb & Grange Hall PSNH	387.92
New Equipment	1,278.65	Covered Bridge Alarm Systems	2,631.31
Total Land Use Boards	\$85,182.10	Total General Government Buildings	\$17,485.96
Insurance		General Government Expenses	
NHMA Property & Liability Insurances	55,893.42	Tax Map Revisions	1,825.00
Health Trust, Life & STD Insurances	307,473.38	County Recording Fees	1,327.74
Unemployment Compensation	389.00	Telephone & Other Comm. Services	4,352.29
Worker's Compensation	23,068.54	Service Contracts	2,208.15
Total Insurance	\$386,824.34	Leased Equipment	756.00
		Training, Meetings & Conferences	2,489.12
		Advertisements	714.63
		Printing	778.90
		Dues & Subscriptions	2,283.77
		Office Supplies	4,584.11
		Postage	7,596.84
		Mileage	2,408.58
		New Equip., Repair & Misc. Expenses	3,938.05
		Total General Government Expenses	\$35,263.18
		Total General Government	\$1,011,904.02

PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department		Fire Department	
Personnel	452,395.67	Personnel	57,197.49
Telephone	4,668.68	Medical Supplies	4,076.31
Cell Phones & Pagers	3,400.18	Protective Clothing	9,571.26
Photo Lab & Supplies	170.00	Personnel Recruitment	299.00
Personnel Recruitment	403.82	Gasoline	2,620.50
Printing	575.96	Diesel/Oil	2,582.86
Dues & Subscriptions	663.32	Extinguishers & O2	515.52
Uniforms	5,122.86	Vehicle Repairs & Tires	9,120.27
Replacement Vests	1,129.90	Dues & Subscriptions	2,050.47
Office Supplies	1,361.08	Tools & Supplies	12,274.69
New Equipment (Office)	480.00	Fire Prevention Supplies	519.46
Postage	463.65	Training & Meetings	9,476.93
Books & Periodicals	291.62	Radio Repairs	4,360.95
Canine Program	790.38	Telephone	3,251.95
Training (Material & Supplies)	1,832.28	Electricity	6,017.07
Conferences, Meetings, Mileage & Acc.	4,052.30	Heating Oil & L.P. Gas	6,956.30
SPOTS Terminal	4,275.00	Sewer Fees	248.00
Service Contracts	1,639.50	Postage	92.15
Firearms Training	7,254.60	Snowplowing	2,575.00
Data Processing	4,809.28	Insurance Compliance	10.00
Case Expenditures	81.16	Building Maintenance	1,463.99
Equipment Maintenance & Repair	140.34	Forest Fires	2,443.09
Radio Repair	380.45	NS Water & Fire Precinct Hydrant Rental	4,050.00
Vehicle Fuel	16,869.49	Rescue Truck Leases	37,963.14
Vehicle Maintenance & Tires	9,838.50	Total Fire Department	\$179,736.40
Department Supplies	1,466.95	Total Public Safety	\$715,915.17
New Equipment	2,606.63		
Janitorial Services	2,331.00		
Electricity	3,450.45		
Heating	2,165.27		
Building Maintenance	1,068.45		
Total Police Department	\$536,178.77		

OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY			
Special Duty Police/Detail Grants		Regional Prosecutor	
Personnel	55,118.22	Pesonnel	86,260.53
Medicare	799.22	Health, Dental, Life & STD Insurances	15,769.44
Social Security	-	Social Security, Medicare & Retirement	8,995.48
NH Retirement	4,941.34	Worker's Compensation & Unemployment	332.25
Worker's Compensation	939.88	Communications	4,384.32
Vehicle Support	1,227.46	Data Processing	575.40
Total Special Duty Police	\$63,026.12	Service Contracts	320.00
School Resource Officer		Dues & Subscriptions	615.00
Personnel	39,162.09	Training & Conferences	972.78
Health, Dental, Life & STD Insurances	14,994.00	Office Supplies, Printing & Postage	1,198.20
Medicare & Retirement	4,009.92	Books, Periodicals & Software	971.48
Worker's Compensation & Unemployment	677.79	Case & Legal Research Expenses	1,765.00
Communications	1,316.16	Case & Miscellaneous Expenses	1,013.35
Training & Conferences	1,669.86	Professional Services	1,230.00
Professional Liability Insurance	975.00	Mileage & Parking	409.51
Department Supplies, Uniforms & Misc. Ex]	813.31	New Equipment	849.20
Total School Resource Officer	\$63,618.13	Total Regional Prosecutor	\$125,661.94
DTFR Police Officer (Budget & Special Article)		Ambulance Service	
Personnel	32,337.02	Diluzio Ambulance Service	29,000.00
Health, Dental, Life & STD Insurances	5,539.80	Total Ambulance Service	\$29,000.00
Medicare & Retirement	3,308.99	Emergency Management	
Worker's Compensation & Unemployment	571.43	Personnel	7,314.20
Professional Liability Insurance	975.00	Telephone	3,190.58
Total DTFR Officer	\$42,732.24	Electricity	1,117.08
Fire Special Duty		Heating	721.74
Personnel	1,880.00	Building Maintenance	786.94
FICA & Medicare	143.82	Generator Fuel & Repair	628.69
Worker's Compensation	63.64	Food	255.10
Total FD Special Duty	\$2,087.46	Dept. Supplies & Expenses, Mileage	1,899.19
		New Equipment	879.16
		Radio Upgrade Program	2,168.00
		Total Emergency Management	\$18,960.68
		Total Other Public Safety	\$345,086.57

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			
Highways, Streets & Bridges		Cemetery & Parks Maintenance	
Personnel	258,230.73	Personnel	48,988.24
Personnel Recruitment	190.93	Cemetery Electricity	125.10
Phones	2,809.78	Repair of Cemetery Stones	3,418.00
Outside Labor & Rental, Leased Equip.	24,692.00	Meeting Expenses & Dues	70.00
Electricity	2,397.05	Cemetery Equipment Repair	1,840.21
Heating Fuel	4,782.19	Cemetery Gas	2,582.52
Building Maintenance	2,146.40	Cemetery Supplies	2,484.56
Alarm Maintenance	250.00	Cemetery Fertilizer	2,600.00
Training, Dues & Mileage	756.53	New Equipment (Cemeteries & Parks)	9,204.00
CDL Testing	536.00	Parks Telephone	1,124.06
Uniforms	3,078.20	Parks Electricity	2,122.13
Radio Repair	235.00	Parks Bldg. & Field Maint. & Supplies	4,763.50
Asphalt & Cold Patch	121,898.72	Parks Plumbing & Supplies	2,155.32
Sand, Gravel & Hard Pack	29,666.14	Parks Rubbish Removal	3,182.50
Salt & Calcium	82,006.81	Parks Fertilizer for Fields	1,000.00
Highway Markings	8,628.33	Total Cemetery & Parks Maintenance	\$85,660.14
Gas	0.00	Street & Bridge Lighting	
Diesel & Oil	22,871.57	Street & Bridge Lighting	14,127.65
Oxygen & Acetylene	223.45	Blinkers & Bridges	2,947.28
Vehicle Repairs	18,501.14	Total Lighting	\$17,074.93
Tires	4,133.63	Dams	
Tools, Supplies & New Equipment	19,244.61	Fees & Repairs	1,337.99
Culverts	6,734.85	Total Dams	\$1,337.99
Bridge Repairs	1,186.56	Total Department of Public Works	\$719,273.68
Total Highways, Streets & Bridges	\$615,200.62		

SOLID WASTE & SANITATION			
Recycling Center		Sewer Commission	
Personnel	111,588.35	Personnel	50,926.93
Refuse Disposal	133,691.14	Social Security & Medicare	4,442.32
Equipment Rental	937.21	Worker's Compensation	486.08
Hazardous Waste & Ash Disposal	13,549.55	Advertisements & Legal Services	0.00
Electronics Disposal & Tire Removal	2,813.06	Software Maintenance	810.05
Construction & Demolition Disposal	37,829.30	Electricity, L.P. Gas & Phone	12,228.97
Freight	2,628.01	Maintenance	2,076.28
Electricity & Telephone	3,038.09	Property Insurance	1,500.00
Heating Fuel	641.00	Supplies	0.00
Uniforms & Protective Equipment	2,214.27	County Recording Fees & Postage	1,015.56
Maintenance & Repairs	4,875.65	Testing & Chemicals	4,699.97
Department Supplies	3,670.96	Miscellaneous Expenses	306.23
Miscellaneous	749.90	Tools & Equipment	495.87
Training, Education & Dues	1,106.45	Debt Service	62,847.00
New Equipment	1,855.96	Total Sewer Commission - West	\$141,835.26

Total Recycling Center	\$321,188.90	Sewer Commission - North	
		North Pass thru Customers	8,281.15
		North Collection System	2,324.38
		Total Sewer Commission - North	10,605.53
		Total Sewer Commission	\$152,440.79
		Total Solid Waste & Sanitation	\$463,024.16

HEALTH & WELFARE			
Health Officer		Health/General Assistance Agencies	
Personnel	2,536.95	Home Health	15,999.99
Water Tests	227.00	Meals on Wheels	5,500.00
Trainings, Meetings & Postage	41.98	Monadnock Family Services	6,000.00
Mileage	271.00	Community Kitchen	10,000.00
West Nile Program	875.00	Southwest Community Services	5,000.00
Total Health Officer	\$3,951.93	The Samaritans	250.00
Animal Control Operations		Total Health/General Asst. Agencies	\$42,749.99
Constracted Services	4,695.00	General Assistance	
Licensing	889.22	Personnel	15,517.00
Department Supplies	74.99	Medical Services	2,725.55
Total Animal Control Operations	\$5,659.21	Food Vouchers & Clothing	1,136.27
		Electricity	2,402.40
		Heating Fuel	3,959.52
		Housing Assistance	105,350.89
		Postage & Department Supplies	407.91
		Total General Assistance	\$131,499.54
		Total Health & Welfare (exc. Carp. SRF)	\$183,860.67

RECREATION & CULTURE			
Recreation Committee		Libraries, Memorial & Old Home Days	
Summer Program Personnel	20,960.64	Mt. Caesar Union Library	45,584.00
Aquatic Personnel	1,394.00	Stratton Free Library	30,517.88
Strength & Conditioning Personnel	1,980.00	Memorial Day Observances	990.00
Richardson Park Personnel	15,140.58	Old Home Day	3,219.02
Richardson Park Supplies	316.66	Total Libraries & Events	\$80,310.90
Miscellaneous & Advertising	850.53	Total Recreation & Culture	\$126,943.48
Summer Program Supplies & Programs	3,405.09		
Aquatic Supplies	57.15		
Winter Sports	1,500.00		
Easter Egg Hunt	842.93		
Halloween & Christmas	185.00		
Total Recreation Committee	\$46,632.58		
		DEBT SERVICE	
		North Swanzey Project-Roads/Drainage	155,000.00
		Keene WWTP Principal & Interest	1,850.00
		Total Debt Service	\$156,850.00

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES, CAPITAL PROJECTS, UNCLASSIFIED & OTHER GOVERNMENTS			
Individual Articles		Capital Projects & Unclassified Expenses	
Code Enforcement Officer	5,144.85	Stratton Library Windows	9,822.68
Open Space Committee	669.34	Main Street Land Acquisition	1,650.00
Total Individual Articles	\$5,814.19	Land Use Professional Services	7,132.45
Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund		Homeland Security Grant	15,984.00
Carpenter Home Personnel	190,085.32	Drug Task Force Officer Overtime	793.87
Health, Dental, Life & STD Insurances	11,005.80	Police Department Improvements	796.57
Social Security, Medicare & Retirement	16,179.07	Police Cruisers - Lease Year 1	26,114.39
Worker's Compensation & Unemploy.	3,786.51	Fire Act Grant	19,402.62
Fax & Phone	2,246.79	DPW F-350 Truck	29,232.00
Groceries	25,952.03	Richardson Park Improvements	13,315.64
Cable	1,215.99	Recycling Center Improvements	17,205.11
Pubilc Guardian Services	0.00	Transfers to 1992 Cemetery Trust Funds	2,300.00
Nurse Consultant	1,617.48	Cemetery Cornerstones	1,400.00
Personnel Recruitment	421.13	Crabapple Trees Mountainview Cemetery	600.00
Public Service	6,880.66	West Street Bridge Project	588,025.20
Heat & Gas for Stove	8,983.41	NH Route 32 Shared Shoulder	3,174.60
Alarm Monitoring & Maintenance	3,848.01	Rail Trail Grant	1,757.22
Service Contracts	1,009.82	Swanzy Revenue Dev. District	212,735.73
Office Supplies & Postage	713.28	North Swanzy Project (inc. Precinct)	3,410,685.56
Printing & Advertising	2,392.13	Conservation Commission Expenses	2,318.78
Trainings, Meetings & Mileage	2,391.49	Insurance Claims/Retirees Insurance	13,973.78
Dues & Subscriptions	617.50	Overlay & Abatements (inc. Sewer)	11,291.41
Uniforms	584.37	Total Unclassified & Capital Projects	\$4,389,711.61
Household & Cleaning Supplies	7,045.72	Other Governments	
Medical Supplies	633.15	North Swanzy Water & Fire Precinct	47,289.00
Household Replacement	438.14	Cheshire County	918,219.00
Resident Activity Supplies	937.43	Monadnock Regional School District	8,357,832.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	271.42	Total Other Governments	\$9,323,340.00
Equipment Maintenance & Repair	1,427.97	Total Articles, SRF, CR, Capital & Gov't	\$14,418,068.77
Furniture & Fixtures	1,296.99		
New Equipment	927.06		
Grounds Maintenance & Improvements	96.33		
Building Maintenance & Improvements	4,488.38		
Total Carpenter Home Operational Costs	\$297,493.38		
Resident Accounts	4,647.10		
Community Integration Program	863.66		
Carpenter Home Improvements	14,098.83		
Total Carpenter Home Fund	\$317,102.97		
Capital Reserve Funds & Expendable Trusts			
Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds	255,000.00		
Transfers to Expendable Trusts	127,100.00		
Total CR Funds & Exp. Trusts	\$382,100.00		

General Fund Balance Sheet	
December 31, 2005	
Assets	
Cash	860,557
Investments	4,542,080
Accounts Receivable	8,159
Taxes Receivable	1,926,456
Tax Liens	321,797
Due from Other Governments	42,460
Due from Other Funds	288,663
Total Assets	\$7,990,172
Liabilities and Fund Balance	
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	125,679
Due to other Governments	0
Due to Monadnock Regional School District	4,490,827
Due to Other Funds	336,773
Deferred Revenue	105,455
Performance Deposits	2,810
Total Liabilities	\$5,061,544
Fund Balance	
Reserved for Continuing Appropriations	58,751
Reserved for Specific Purposes	201,892
Less: available from federal grants	-50,570
Unreserved Fund Balance 12/31/2005	\$2,718,555
Total Fund Balance	\$2,928,628
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$7,990,172

**Long Term General Obligation Debt Issued
Town of Swansey - December 31, 2005**

Year	Purpose of Indebtedness						Total Payments
	North Swanzey Sewer (4.125%)		WS WWTP Upgrade		Revenue District (4.07%)		
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	
2006	66,570	76,888	37,500	23,856	50,000	19,332	\$274,146
2007	66,570	74,142	37,500	22,365	50,000	17,298	\$267,875
2008	66,570	71,396	37,500	20,874	50,000	15,263	\$261,603
2009	66,570	68,650	37,500	19,383	50,000	13,228	\$255,331
2010	66,570	65,904	37,500	17,892	50,000	11,193	\$249,059
2011	66,570	63,158	37,500	16,401	50,000	9,158	\$242,787
2012	66,570	60,412	37,500	14,910	50,000	7,123	\$236,515
2013	66,570	57,666	37,500	13,419	50,000	5,088	\$230,243
2014	66,570	54,920	37,500	11,928	50,000	3,053	\$223,971
2015	66,570	52,174	37,500	10,437	50,000	1,018	\$217,699
2016	66,570	49,428	37,500	8,946	-	-	\$162,444
2017	66,570	46,682	37,500	7,455	-	-	\$158,207
2018	66,570	43,936	37,500	5,964	-	-	\$153,970
2019	66,570	41,190	37,500	4,473	-	-	\$149,733
2020	66,570	38,444	37,500	2,982	-	-	\$145,496
2021	66,570	35,698	37,500	1,491	-	-	\$141,259
2022	66,570	32,952	-	-	-	-	\$99,522
2023	66,570	30,206	-	-	-	-	\$96,776
2024	66,570	27,460	-	-	-	-	\$94,030
2025	66,570	24,714	-	-	-	-	\$91,284
2026	66,570	21,968	-	-	-	-	\$88,538
2027	66,570	19,222	-	-	-	-	\$85,792
2028	66,570	16,476	-	-	-	-	\$83,046
2029	66,570	13,730	-	-	-	-	\$80,300
2030	66,570	10,984	-	-	-	-	\$77,554
2031	66,570	8,238	-	-	-	-	\$74,808
2032	66,570	5,492	-	-	-	-	\$72,062
2033	66,560	2,746	-	-	-	-	\$69,306
Totals	\$1,863,950	\$1,114,876	\$600,000	\$202,776	\$500,000	\$101,754	\$4,383,356

State Revolving Fund Grant Schedule West Swansey WWTP Upgrade Project			
Year	Payment	Year	Payment
2005	\$12,569	2014	\$9,886
2006	\$12,271	2015	\$9,587
2007	\$11,973	2016	\$9,289
2008	\$11,675	2017	\$8,991
2009	\$11,377	2018	\$8,693
2010	\$11,078	2019	\$8,395
2011	\$10,780	2020	\$8,096
2012	\$10,482	2021	\$7,798
Total Aid WS WWTP Upgrade		\$162,940	

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

TOWN OF SWANZEY CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS & EXPENDABLE TRUSTS 2005

Type & Purpose of Fund	Balance 12/31/2004	Contributions 2005	Interest Income 2005	Expenses 2005	Balance 12/31/2005
Capital Reserve Funds					
Town Hall Expansion	54,710.98	25,000.00	1,641.63	-	81,352.61
Pres. & Restoration of Documents	3,171.14	-	90.39	-	3,261.53
Insurance Deductible Fund	3,412.89	-	97.27	-	3,510.16
Police Cruisers	14,957.53	-	320.96	5,000.00	10,278.49
Future Fire Station	90,541.73	50,000.00	2,745.17	-	143,286.90
Fire Trucks	158,992.78	45,000.00	4,679.61	-	208,672.39
Town Bridges (not covered)	165,837.45	30,000.00	4,697.07	117,605.04	82,929.48
Covered Bridges (restoration/repair)	73,636.17	10,000.00	2,131.62	-	85,767.79
Highway & Cemetery Equipment	24,605.29	50,000.00	769.65	29,232.00	46,142.94
Town Owned Dams	235,561.08	5,000.00	6,730.15	-	247,291.23
Recycling Center Improvements	41,630.84	10,000.00	1,177.63	14,705.11	38,103.36
Sewerline Extensions	53,676.19	10,000.00	1,562.75	-	65,238.94
Swanzy Sewer Commission	116,874.59	-	3,331.02	-	120,205.61
Mt. Caesar Union Library	16,558.87	2,000.00	478.53	-	19,037.40
Recreation Facilities Improvements	38,772.40	15,000.00	1,139.93	13,315.64	41,596.69
Conservation Land Acquisitions	36,818.04	3,000.00	1,059.22	-	40,877.26
N. Swanzy H2O & Fire Lines	133,884.03	4,300.00	3,820.49	-	142,004.52
N. Swanzy H2O & Fire Equipment	19,411.57	2,000.00	555.42	-	21,966.99
Expendable Trust Funds					
Town Hall (Offices)	-	5,000.00	16.46	-	5,016.46
Town Hall Computers (IMS)	22,652.75	15,000.00	695.03	-	38,347.78
Revaluations & Updates	22,127.18	22,000.00	703.09	-	44,830.27
Police Facilities	10,597.66	-	301.16	796.00	10,102.82
Fire Stations & Related Facilities	-	5,000.00	16.46	-	5,016.46
Emergency Services Complex	105.57	-	3.01	-	108.58
Fire Pond Fund	22,751.16	-	648.44	-	23,399.60
Fire/Rescue Tools & Equipment	-	10,000.00	30.81	1,939.62	8,091.19
Emergency Communications	10,463.77	5,000.00	310.85	3,519.78	12,254.84
Emergency Mgt Facilities & Equipment	18,683.53	-	532.49	-	19,216.02
Rehab & Reconstruction of Town Roads	81,807.68	35,000.00	2,446.83	-	119,254.51
Covered Bridges (beautification)	2,297.17	-	65.47	-	2,362.64
Public Works Facilities	5,003.84	10,000.00	175.54	-	15,179.38
Cemetery Expansion Fund	25,837.16	3,100.00	746.59	-	29,683.75
Whitcomb Hall Rehabilitation	31,021.43	-	884.14	-	31,905.57
Carpenter Home	17,229.15	15,000.00	363.40	8,402.55	24,190.00
Stratton Free Library	13,982.85	2,000.00	198.15	9,822.68	6,358.32
N. Swanzy Water Rate Fund	24,600.00	24,600.00	727.93	-	49,927.93
Slate Bridge Fund	1,043.84	-	29.73	-	1,073.57
Swanzy Historical Cttee	94,661.86	-	2,697.93	-	97,359.79
Total Town Funds	\$1,687,920.17	\$413,000.00	\$48,622.02	\$204,338.42	\$1,945,203.77
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool		\$1,945,153.77			
Bank of America		\$50.00			
Total Funds 12/31/2005		\$1,945,203.77			

TOWN OF SWANZEY CEMETERY TRUSTS 2005

Income	Balance 1/1/2005	Income	Expense	Balance 12/31/2005
Various Trusts	\$20,755.69	4,256.41	4,222.15	\$20,789.95
Principal	Balance 1/1/2005	New Funds Created	Expense	Balance 12/31/2005
Chub Coroporation	\$840.00			\$840.00
Columbia Government Plus	\$143,662.70			\$145,962.70
Ivan Downing		100.00		
Robert Therrian Sr.		400.00		
Marguerite Brooks		200.00		
Robert Therrian Sr.		100.00		
John Hall		250.00		
Steven Clark		500.00		
Judith Barrett		200.00		
Francis Esteves		50.00		
Whitney Cadmus		500.00		
Total Principal Various Trusts	\$143,662.70	\$2,300.00	\$0.00	\$146,802.70
<u>Interest</u>		<u>Principal</u>		
Columbia Government Plus	\$20,789.95	Columbia Government Plus	\$145,962.70	
Total Interest 12/31/2005	\$20,789.95	Chubb Corporation 96 Shares	\$840.00	
		Total Principal 12/31/2005	\$146,802.70	
Total Balance Principal & Income 12/31/2005		\$167,592.65		

**MONADNOCK REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS & EXPENDABLE TRUSTS 2005**

Type & Purpose of Fund	Balance 12/31/2004	Contributions 2005	Interest Income 2005	Expenses 2005	Balance 12/31/2005
Capital Reserve Funds					
MRSD Capital Reserve 1975	772,759.56	-	21,090.91	59,320.01	734,530.46
MRSD Special Education 1995	2,866.88	-	82.08	-	2,948.96
Expendable Trust Funds					
School Bldg Maintenance Fund	60,223.68	-	1,724.17	-	61,947.85
School District Special Education Fund	50,186.40	-	1,436.81		51,623.21
Scholarship Funds					
Larry Aro Scholarship	13,294.28	-	370.55	500.00	13,164.83
Att. Charles Donahue Scholarship	1,901.61	-	44.38	500.00	1,445.99
Edward Fairbanks Scholarship	1,382.91	-	35.58	200.00	1,218.49
Eleanor Greatbach Scholarship	15,029.07	-	369.92	3,000.00	12,398.99
Claudier Howard Award	2,057.44	-	56.89	100.00	2,014.33
Barbara Lerandeau Award	2,652.66	-	74.42	75.00	2,652.08
Joseph Webber English Award	3,082.13	-	86.74	75.00	3,093.87
Eleanor West Scholarship	1,975.33	-	53.56	150.00	1,878.89
Total MRSD Funds	\$927,411.95	\$0.00	\$25,426.01	\$63,920.01	\$888,917.95
NH Public Deposit Investment Pool		\$888,867.95			
Bank of America		\$50.00			
Total Funds MRSD 12/31/2005		\$888,917.95			

TRUST FUNDS 2005 - Town of Swanzey & Monadnock Regional School District

Name Of Fund	Income Balance	Income	Expenses	Income Balance
<u>Town of Swanzey</u>	<u>1/1/2005</u>			<u>12/31/2005</u>
J. Edward Bouvier - Carpenter Home	1,014.90	54.37	0.00	1,069.27
Marian T. Brown Fund (Museum)	32,145.91	3,836.22	0.00	35,982.13
Charles Carlton Aged & Infirm	6,451.49	403.22	705.60	6,149.11
Charles Carlton E.S. Community House	515.11	54.37	0.00	569.48
Charles Carlton E.S. Library	1,545.15	163.09	0.00	1,708.24
Charles Carlton Mt. Caesar Cemetery	19,397.19	1,055.03	0.00	20,452.22
Lucy Carpenter-Carpenter Home	31,918.57	18,139.41	14,098.83	35,959.15
Samuel Read-E.S. Community House	17,765.27	5,789.25	3,200.00	20,354.52
Frank Snow-Cutler School Fund	119.35	180.79	157.15	142.99
Frank Snow-Sidewalk Fund	67,360.18	28,618.94	28,573.42	67,405.70
Nettie Stone-Pavillion	1,830.39	97.97	0.00	1,928.36
Edna Whitcomb-Carpenter Home	2,623.73	338.99	0.00	2,962.72
Edna Whitcomb-Whitcomb Hall	7,361.32	443.54	0.00	7,804.86
George Whitcomb, Jr.-Carpenter Home	5,148.48	2,414.49	0.00	7,562.97
George Whitcomb, Jr.-Whitcomb Hall	6,985.52	430.03	0.00	7,415.55
<u>Monadnock Regional School District</u>				
Lloyd Scholarchip Trust	540.96	819.47	712.32	648.11
Jenness Phillips Scholarship Trust	546.51	831.75	719.97	658.29
Income Balance	\$203,270.03	\$63,670.93	\$48,167.29	\$218,773.67

Swanzeny Revenue Development District

In April of 2005 the Swanzeny Revenue Department District (SRDD) Advisory Board was revitalized to begin work on laying out the new road between Rte. 32 and Rte. 12. This road work is financed by tax revenue from increased assessments in the tax increment financing district established in 1999 and expanded in 2003.

Several meetings were held with input from NHDOT, DPW Director Lee Dunham and Underwood Engineers to help the Advisory Board develop a plan for Safford Drive. The first phase, currently under construction between Rte. 32 and the back entrance to Carlisle Wide Plank Flooring, is approximately 1900'. Future phases will include the remaining 2650' to Rte. 12'. The road specifications, travel lane width and gravel and paved shoulder width were determined.

The intersection of Safford Drive with Page Court and Wilson Pond Road was developed for safety and ease of turning. Design plans and construction specifications for the new road were approved and were forwarded to the Selectmen for approval. After a public hearing, the Selectmen selected Park Construction to build the first phase. Construction started last fall and will be completed in the spring of 2006. The residents of Swanzeny will be asked at Town Meeting to dead end Page Court at Rte. 32 which will establish a safer traffic flow on Rte. 32.

The SRDD Advisory Board will be holding meetings in early 2006 to continue work on Phase II of Safford Drive.

Submitted by,
Robert Silk, Chairman

Swanzeny Revenue Development District Advisory Board

Robert Silk, Chairman
Adrian Pinney
Larry Crowder

David Krisch, Vice-chairman
Glenn Page

Financial Report

Swanzeny Revenue Development District (SRDD)

Tax Increment Financing District established 1999 & Expanded 2003

Calculation of Assessed Value for SRDD Increment	
Original Assessed Value (1999 & 2003 Expansion)	6,443,112
Assessed Value of District Tax Year 2005	8,622,207
Assessed Value of District Increment	\$2,179,095
Tax Increment Created Tax Year 2005	53,332
Tax Increment Prior Years	59,252
Total Accumulated Increment 12/31/2005	\$112,584
SRDD Expenditures 2005	
Debt Service Incurred 2005 (Phase I Road & Utilities)	\$500,000
Project expenses paid through 12/31/2005	212,735
Balance Available for Project Expense 12/31/2005	\$287,265

NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT

31 North Pine Street
North Swanzev, New Hampshire 03431

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING 2005

The annual meeting of the North Swanzev Water and Fire Precinct was duly called and held at the Swanzev Town Hall on March 18, 2005 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Mark Lawrence. Mr. Lawrence read the warrant for the meeting and the return of the posting thereon. There were a total of five precinct members present including Chairman Robert Beauregard, Commissioner Sylvester Karasinski, Commissioner Fred R. Pitcher, Moderator Mark Lawrence, and Secretary/Treasurer Laurel Mullanax. Superintendent William Snyder was also in attendance.

Article 1. The following officers were elected:

Water Commissioner-3 years

Fred R. Pitcher

Moderator-1 year

Mark Lawrence

Secretary/Treasurer-3 years

Laurel Mullanax

Article 2. The Precinct voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$172,330 to defray expenses incidental to the business of the Precinct.

Article 3. The Precinct voted to raise and appropriate the sum \$4,300 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for water lines.

Article 4. The Precinct voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for equipment.

Article 5. There was a short discussion on general matters concerning the Precinct.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, on a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvester Karasinski, Commissioner

NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT 2005

The Wilson Pond and North Swanzev Water Project has been completed. In addition to the new "looped line," many old iron service lines were replaced-hopefully eliminating the necessity of disturbing the new asphalt road surface in the near term. One additional hydrant was added to the system along with a number of old hydrants that were replaced.

We anticipate commencing the process of replacing old water meters with new "remote reading" meters and planning for extending existing mains east of Route 12 during 2006.

Combined billing of both water and sewer, a joint effort of both the Town and Precinct, will also commence in the first quarter of 2006. This should result in saving for both entities as we go into the future.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert A. Beauregard, Chair
Fred R. Pitcher
Sylvester R. Karasinski
North Swanzev Water & Fire Precinct Commissioners

**NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 2005**

<u>ASSETS</u>	Operations	Capital Reserve Funds Lines	Equipment	Expendable Trust Water Rate Stabilization	Wilson Pond Project Fund	Total
CURRENT ASSETS						
Cash	\$ 55,448	\$ 142,005	\$ 21,967	\$ 49,928	\$ 28,491	\$ 297,839
Accounts receivable	32,910	-	-	-	9,217	42,127
Due from (to) other fund	9,217	-	-	-	(9,217)	-
Inventory	6,655	-	-	-	-	6,655
Total Current Assets	\$104,231	\$142,005	\$21,967	\$49,928	\$28,491	\$346,621
PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT						
Land	1,000	-	-	-	-	1,000
Building	6,049	-	-	-	-	6,049
Equipment	14,683	-	-	-	-	14,683
Pipe lines	143,827	-	-	-	-	143,827
Vehicles	21,034	-	-	-	-	21,034
	186,593	-	-	-	-	186,593
Less: accumulated depreciation	183,879	-	-	-	-	183,879
	2,714	-	-	-	-	2,714
	\$ 106,945	\$ 142,005	\$ 21,967	\$ 49,928	\$ 28,491	\$ 349,335
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>						
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable	\$ 20,959	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,959
Payroll taxes payable	2,011	-	-	-	-	2,011
Accrued Interest	-	-	-	-	6,589	6,589
Total Current Liabilities	22,970	-	-	-	6,589	29,558
<u>LONG TERM DEBT</u>						
Note Payable- USDA Rural Dev.	-	-	-	-	607,300	607,300
FUND BALANCES						
Unrestricted	83,975	-	-	-	-	83,975
Capital reserve fund - water lines	-	142,004	-	-	-	142,004
Capital reserve fund - equipment	-	-	21,967	-	-	21,967
Expendable trust - water rate stabilization	-	-	-	49,928	-	49,928
Wilson Pond Project Fund	-	-	-	-	(585,398)	(585,398)
	\$83,975	\$142,004	\$21,967	\$49,928	-\$585,398	-\$287,523
	\$ 106,945	\$ 142,004	\$ 21,967	\$ 49,928	\$ 28,491	\$ 349,336

NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

		Capital	Reserve	Expendable		
	Operations	Lines	Equipment	Trust Water Rate Stabilization	Wilson Pond Project Fund	Total
REVENUES						
Water rents	\$ 145,364	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 145,364
Tax receipts	47,289	-	-	-	-	47,289
Hydrant rentals	4,050	-	-	-	-	4,050
Customer service income	9,316	-	-	-	-	9,316
Miscellaneous	2,185	-	-	-	-	2,185
Revenue sharing	536	-	-	-	-	536
Interest income	1,442	3,820	555	728	402	6,947
NH Revolving Fund & USDA RD	-	-	-	-	318,089	318,089
Total revenues	\$ 210,181	\$ 3,820	\$ 555	\$ 728	\$ 318,491	\$ 533,776
EXPENDITURES						
Water purchases	79,330	-	-	-	-	79,330
Hydrant rentals	13,301	-	-	-	-	13,301
Truck expenses	1,768	-	-	-	-	1,768
Maintenance - lines	7,131	-	-	-	-	7,131
Maintenance - building	8	-	-	-	-	8
Maintenance - equipment	433	-	-	-	-	433
Customer service	4,339	-	-	-	-	4,339
Utilities	908	-	-	-	-	908
Insurance	1,692	-	-	-	-	1,692
Legal and accounting	3,817	-	-	-	-	3,817
Office expense	644	-	-	-	-	644
Billing software maintenance	631	-	-	-	-	631
Uniforms and rags	1,540	-	-	-	-	1,540
Payroll taxes	4,360	-	-	-	-	4,360
Telephone	1,390	-	-	-	-	1,390
Licenses and permits	384	-	-	-	-	384
Wages	40,204	-	-	-	-	40,204
Water tests	2,300	-	-	-	-	2,300
Postage	578	-	-	-	-	578
Printing	1,585	-	-	-	-	1,585
Association dues	170	-	-	-	-	170
Depreciation	943	-	-	-	-	943
Interest-Wilson Pond Project	-	-	-	-	6,589	6,589
Repayment to NH Revolving Loan	-	-	-	-	532,918	532,918
Wilson Pond Project expenditures	-	-	-	-	364,409	364,409
Total expenditures	\$ 167,456	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 903,916	\$ 1,071,372
TRANSFERS						
To capital reserve fund - lines	(4,300)	4,300	-	-	-	-
To capital reserve fund - equipment	(2,000)	-	2,000	-	-	-
To expendable trust - water rate stabilization	(24,600)	-	-	24,600	-	-
Total Transfers	\$ (30,900)	\$ 4,300	\$ 2,000	\$ 24,600	\$ -	\$ -
Excess of Revenue over Expenses & Transfers	\$ 11,825	\$ 8,120	\$ 2,555	\$ 25,328	\$ (585,425)	\$ (537,596)

**NORTH SWANZEY WATER & FIRE PRECINCT
RECOMMENDED BUDGET 2006**

Revenues	Received 2005	Estimated 2006
From Taxes	\$ 47,289	\$ 55,000
From Water Rents	145,364	169,394
Transfers from Capital Reserve	-	25,000
Hydrant Rentals	4,050	10,649
Service Income	9,316	2,500
Interest Income	1,442	1,000
Miscellaneous Income	2,185	1,000
Revenue Sharing	536	500
Total Revenues	\$ 210,181	\$ 265,043

Operating Expenditures	Expended 2005	Recommended 2006
Water purchases	\$ 79,330	\$ 86,301
Hydrant rentals	13,301	22,298
Truck expenses	1,768	2,200
Maintenance		
Lines	7,131	10,000
Building	8	1,000
Equipment	433	500
Service	4,339	2,500
Capital reserve project	-	-
Utilities	908	1,200
Insurance	1,692	2,000
Legal and accounting	3,817	5,000
Office expense	644	500
Billing software maintenance	631	750
Uniforms and rags	1,540	1,500
Payroll taxes	4,360	3,500
Telephone	1,390	1,800
License and permits	384	300
Payroll	40,204	42,200
Payroll capital reserve projects	-	-
Water test	2,300	2,500
Postage	578	600
Printing	1,585	500
Association dues	170	300
Depreciation	943	-
Wilson Pond Debt Service - Principal	-	21,690
Wilson Pond Debt Service - Interest	-	24,604
Total operating expenditures	\$ 167,456	\$ 233,743
Capital Reserve Funds & Expendable Trusts		
Water lines Capital Reserve	\$ 4,300	\$ 4,300
Equipment Capital Reserve	2,000	2,000
Water Rate Stabilization	24,600	25,000
Total Reserve Funds & Trusts	\$ 30,900	\$ 31,300
Total Appropriations	\$ 198,356	\$ 265,043

**Long Term General Obligation Debt Issued
North Swanzey Water & Fire Precinct - December 31, 2005**

Year	Purpose of Indebtedness		Total Payments
	North Swanzey Water & Fire Precinct (4.125%) Principal	Interest	
2006	21,690	24,604	\$46,294
2007	21,690	23,709	\$45,399
2008	21,690	22,814	\$44,504
2009	21,690	21,919	\$43,609
2010	21,690	21,025	\$42,715
2011	21,690	20,130	\$41,820
2012	21,690	19,235	\$40,925
2013	21,690	18,341	\$40,031
2014	21,690	18,346	\$40,036
2015	21,690	16,551	\$38,241
2016	21,690	15,657	\$37,347
2017	21,690	14,762	\$36,452
2018	21,690	13,867	\$35,557
2019	21,690	12,973	\$34,663
2020	21,690	12,078	\$33,768
2021	21,690	11,183	\$32,873
2022	21,690	10,289	\$31,979
2023	21,690	9,394	\$31,084
2024	21,690	8,499	\$30,189
2025	21,690	7,604	\$29,294
2026	21,690	6,709	\$28,399
2027	21,690	5,815	\$27,505
2028	21,690	4,920	\$26,610
2029	21,690	4,025	\$25,715
2030	21,690	3,131	\$24,821
2031	21,690	2,236	\$23,926
2032	21,690	1,341	\$23,031
2033	21,670	447	\$22,117
Totals	\$607,300	\$351,604	\$958,904

BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN PATHWAYS COMMITTEE 2005

During 2005, the Swanzey Bicycle-Pedestrian Pathways Committee was busy completing trail improvements to the Ashuelot Railtrail corridor from Pine Street to Sawyers Crossing Road. The Committee, together with various volunteers, has improved 3,000 feet of railtrail with recycled glass and shurpac. In addition, the trail has been trimmed and culverts cleared. Over 245 volunteer hours made this possible. Please check out the new bike information sign next to the Cresson Bridge. Also, trail identification signs along Matthews Road were installed during 2005. Funding for the purchase of the signs was included in the railtrail grant that provided the funding for the trail improvement work.

The Town has been notified that it is the recipient of a State of NH transportation enhancement grant. This will enable the railtrail from Route 101 to Sawyers Crossing Road to be improved for bikes, pedestrians and equestrians. Of course, it will also be great for snowmobiles!

In addition, the Committee once again sponsored a "bike the bridges tour" on Old Home Day. It is a great tour – be sure to mark your calendar for this years' ride.

The Committee also co-sponsored the region's "bike-walk to work day" last May - it was a very successful day with over 100 people leaving their cars at home and either biking/walking to work!

The goal of this Committee is to make sure the Town of Swanzey remains friendly to equestrians, bicycling, pedestrians and snowmobilers. Through volunteer efforts we hope to improve trails and roads so that the next time you want to get a newspaper you might take the bike, horse or walk, instead of using your car and fuel!

As the community faces more and more development, it is important that the goal of being a bikeable-walkable community remains strong.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Russell

SWANZEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2005

The Swanze Conservation Commission (SCC) consists of seven regular members and two alternates, all of whom volunteer their time to try to help maintain or improve the quality of the air, soil, water, plants, animals, and other natural resources of the Town. The Commission meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall at 7:00 pm.

Roadside Cleanup: One of the highlights of this year's activities was the first (recent) Swanze roadside cleanup, conducted (in pouring rain) on Saturday, April 23rd. Forty-seven volunteers collected 169 bags of trash, including at least 19 bags of recyclables from 10 miles of town roads. THANK YOU VERY MUCH to everyone who helped!

Conservation Lands: SCC is also responsible for monitoring those land parcels under the Conservation Land Stewardship Program (CLSP). Conservation lands Honey Hill, Mt. Cresson, Muster property, and the Swanze Lake dam area were checked and reports submitted to the State. Other town owned properties were also monitored. We continue to work with the Southwest Region Planning Commission (SWRPC) and the Monadnock Conservancy (MC) relative to conserving natural areas in the Town.

Precious little land in Swanze is reserved for open space. For example, many do not know that the Yale-Toumey Forest land is NOT protected from development by easement or other covenant. If one removes that land from oft-publicized lists of "protected" land in town, then Swanze has not 8%, but 1.4% of its land protected as open space. This is the second lowest in the entire Monadnock region! Bennington is the lowest at 1.3%; Stoddard has 60% protected; the average is 18% (source: the MC). SCC supports this year's proposal that a substantially larger amount be appropriated to the Conservation Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund to help preserve the Swanze that we all know.

Conservation Camp: For many years, the Conservation Commission has offered two scholarships to Swanze residents who would like to attend Conservation Camp. Sadly, in 2005 we had no applicants. This 4-H camp in the White Mountains runs several one week sessions for campers aged 10-15. Three sessions usually run in late June through mid-July. Activities include hiking, fishing, wildlife studies, and environmental explorations. For applications received before June 1, the 2005 camp fee was \$325. Conservation Commission scholarships have covered \$200 of that. Students interested in applying for this scholarship should write a letter to the Conservation Commission at the town hall as early in the year as possible, saying why they would like to attend this camp. (We have applications too.) This is a small camp and fills up quickly, so the sooner the application is filed, the better the chances of getting in.

Other Committees: SCC continues to participate in the Swanze Open Space Committee. Members attend some of the meetings and hearings of the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and /or Selectboard where environmental matters are involved. Some of the SCC members also participate in meetings of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Committee, one sits on the SWRPC Natural Resources Committee, and two are members of the Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee (ARLAC). Some members attended workshops on new environmental regulations.

Permits/Projects: Many permit applications for work in wetlands come before the Commission each year and the State Department of Environmental Services expects our input. In addition, SCC is expected to review all new proposals and ongoing projects with respect to their environmental impacts. The above investigations usually involve site walks. 2005 saw proposals for over 70 new housing units, a new bridge constructed over California Brook on West Street, and the North Swanze area is in the process of connecting to the Keene Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Complaints/Inquiries: Complaints of alleged environmental violations are also investigated and where appropriate, reported to town and state officials. Illegal dumping of trash, appliances, and tires along unpaved town roads continues to be a problem. We also endeavor to answer various environment-related questions and concerns from citizens throughout the year.

Other Activities: Our annual canoe trip down the river occurs in early May with all interested people invited. You may not even need a canoe! Watch for publicity in the spring, with numbers to call if you are interested. Some SCC members provided nature-related educational activities to the children at the Swanzey Lake Summer Camp. We offered a scholarship to a Swanzey resident who is a senior at Monadnock Regional High School and who plans to major in the environmental field. The Commission contributed \$2000 toward the Homestead Dam feasibility study. The SCC also committed resources to an Ashuelot River cleanup sponsored by the ARLAC on October 1, 2005.

Opportunity To Help: The Commission offers its gratitude to Laura Weit, who had to resign her seat because of her move to another municipality. From time to time, vacancies do occur on the Commission. If you would like to help Swanzey's environment by serving on the Commission, please contact Sara Carbonneau, the town hall or any Commission member. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen Stepenuck, Chair

ASHUELOT RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2005

The Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee (ARLAC) was established in 1994 one year after the Ashuelot River was enrolled into the State Rivers Management and Protection Program. Since then, members, nominated by local municipal officials and appointed by the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Services (DES), have been educated in a broad array of issues associated with the river and its watershed. It is the hope of the Committee to be a resource that works well between the interests and concerns of the citizens in the watershed and State authorities.

The volunteer Ashuelot River Water Quality Monitoring Program, in conjunction with DES Volunteer River Assessment Program (VRAP), is now in its fifth season. Ten sites were sampled along the river's 64 miles from Washington to Hinsdale. Analyses were done for E.coli, temperature, pH, total phosphorus, dissolved oxygen (DO), turbidity, and conductivity with the City of Keene donating lab services for E. coli. ARLAC members, working with community volunteers, participated in a spring training session, that led into a five month effort of sampling once per month from May through September.

This past fall ARLAC, with the assistance of Communities Getting Involved, held its first river clean up in conjunction with the Connecticut River Watershed Council's Source to the Sea Clean Up. Forty-two residents cleaned 8 river miles from Ashuelot Park in Keene to the Homestead Dam in Swanzey and collected 1,277 pounds of trash from the riverbanks. Keene State College students joined this effort and filled a 4 cubic yard dumpster with trash and retrieved 20 shopping carts from the river.

A regular task for ARLAC is to review and comment on state permit applications within the river corridor that may have potential impacts on the river. In 2005 we submitted comments on projects proposed in Gilsum, Keene, Swanzey, Winchester, and Hinsdale. Those included one site-specific application and eight wetland applications. We continued to participate as a member of the Homestead Dam Feasibility Study Advisory Group. This group was established to assure public input during the Swanzey Homestead Dam feasibility study performed by the consultant team of Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. The final feasibility study is completed and available online at www.des.state.nh.us/Dam/DamRemoval, and a hard copy is available at the Swanzey Town Hall.

We have participated in the planning of the Nature's Conservancy's Ashuelot River Continuity Project. This project is to be implemented by AVEO (Ashuelot Valley Environmental Observatory) and will involve assessing barriers to fish movement such as culverts and bridges in the Ashuelot watershed. The town of Washington is considering the development of an overlay district called the Ashuelot Pond Watershed Area. ARLAC gave our support to this project and nominated our Washington representative to that committee.

ARLAC's winter hike took place in Marlow last February, snowshoeing the hillsides along the river and spotting signs of porcupine, bobcat, deer, and coyote. ARLAC encourages everyone to enjoy the river in all seasons and to join the Swanzey Conservation Commission in its annual spring paddle of the river in Swanzey.

The committee meets each month on the third Tuesday evening in Keene. The Local Advisory Committee invites citizens and town officials to contact their ARLAC representatives or the Southwest Region Planning Commission for more information.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Skuly, Chair

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE 2005

The best way to maintain the rural character of our town, Open Space Committee members believe, is with the protection of conservation easements. This past year Swanzey residents who owned more than twenty-four acres were mailed a brochure outlining key concepts of open space protection. (Copies are available at Town Hall). The Committee hopes to hear from residents who are interested in permanently protecting their land.

Jean Blood is one such resident. Jean approached the Open Space Committee for help with protecting her Sawyers Crossing property. Using the rating process outlined in Swanzey's *Plan for the Protection of Open Space*, Committee members determined that Jean's land ranks high for its habitat diversity and integrity, natural beauty, and ability to support active agriculture. This unique parcel is bordered on three sides by Yale Forest lands. The Committee shared findings with the Monadnock Conservancy, which HAS AGREED TO HOLD the conservation easement on the Blood land. Jean's actions will preserve a special part of Swanzey's working landscape forever.

Many people believe that the holdings of the largest landowner in Swanzey, Yale University, are protected by conservation easements. In fact, these lands are protected only by the University's commitment to forestry research. Changing economic pressure may force a shift in priorities. We would be irresponsible-and unwise-to count on Yale to maintain Swanzey's rural character.

During the 1990s, Swanzey grew nearly twice as fast in population and in new housing units as Cheshire County as a whole. While we have been doing our part to meet the region's housing needs, we have been paying less attention to preserving Swanzey's rural character. Compared to the six towns surrounding Swanzey, we have the lowest percentage of protected land-less than 3% of Swanzey's total land area is protected. For Swanzey to match the almost 18% regional average, we'd have to protect 5,132 acres, 4,515 acres more than we have protected already. As the region's population grows (a projected 21% between 2000 and 2020) open space will continue to disappear, and land will become increasingly valuable. Open space will never be more accessible and affordable than it is today.

For some residents, outright donations of land or easements may not be possible, while others might need help paying transaction costs. The Town's land acquisition capital reserve fund was established in 1988 to finance purchase of conservation parcels, as well as to offset legal fees and surveying costs. In the coming year, committee members hope to make use of Swanzey's foresight in budgeting for open space protection.

Guided by the criteria in the *Plan for the Protection of Open Space*, the Committee also has undertaken a systematic inventory of town owned land to determine which parcels deserve formal protection. When the evaluation is complete, committee members will recommend that the Selectmen protect deserving town parcels with permanent conservation easements.

Please contact any Open Space Committee member with thoughts and ideas about important undeveloped land in town and about maintaining Swanzey's rural character. The Committee meets from 5:00 to 6:30 pm on the second Monday of the month. The public is always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
The Swanzey Open Space Committee

Committee Members
Suzanne Whittemore & Katherine Feist, Co-Chairs
Victoria Barlow, Deb Crowder, and Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.

SWANZEY HISTORICAL MUSEUM 2005

It was a year of transition for the museum. One of our directors resigned and Frank Worcester, our curator and director, passed away in June. Frank had been very active in the every day running of the museum and we still miss his expertise. Eileen Wheelock and Mary Faulkner have taken on some of his duties, but there is still much that needs to be done.

Jo Gregory agreed to assume the position of director. Jo has been an active volunteer and a tremendous help. She has worked closely with a conservator learning the correct procedures for conserving and handling the museum's collections.

Among the many items we have acquired this past year was a whet stone donated by Nancy McGhee and a glass display case, similar to the one we have now, donated by Bob Secord of Secord's Antiques. We wish to thank all those who have donated items. We still have many items that have not been catalogued but we hope that after the first of the year we can devote some time to updating our displays.

At the end of September we discovered mold in the cellar. Before the professional cleaner could assist us the October floods came and they were needed elsewhere. We contacted conservators who specialized in cleaning wood, tin ware, and iron to get the correct cleaning procedure for all the damaged articles. A small group of dedicated volunteers spent days removing the mold. The cause of the problem proved to be a non-functioning dehumidifier and an improperly set air sanitizer. We have since corrected that situation.

We set goals, some were accomplished and others were not. Carol Jaffrey took over the advertising for the museum and wrote two articles for the Monadnock Shopper News. This paid off as numerous visitors mentioned they found out about the museum when they read the Shopper. Another goal was to have the museum painted. We signed the paint contract in August but September and October were too wet and then the temperature turned too cold to paint. We are the first customer on the painter's list for 2006.

We will be meeting in January to assess how well we met our goals for 2005 and to set priorities for 2006.

Respectfully submitted,
Eileen Wheelock & Mary Faulkner

Jo Gregory
Ernest Guilbeault
Ernest Perry

VETERANS' COUNCIL EXPENDITURES 2005

Band (MRHS)	\$ 300.00
Flags	396.12
Facilities & Refreshments	300.00
Flowers & Wreaths	116.90
Guest Speakers	50.00
Postage	<u>14.80</u>
Total	\$1,177.82

Note: Town appropriation funds Swanzey's Memorial Day and Veterans Day Tributes.

Respectfully submitted,
James H. Devine, II

WEST SWANZEY SIDEWALK COMMITTEE 2005

In the year of 2005 the following work has been completed:

South Winchester St.	385 feet
Cobble Hill Rd.	85 feet
Christian Hill	60 feet
West St.	<u>30 feet</u>
Total	560 feet

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon Ayotte, Chair
Allen Hood
Ernest Perry
Henry Aveline
Marjorie Read
Pauline Cheney
Lena Whipple
J. Michael Gomarlo
Marion Bedard

2005 TOWN MEETING MINUTES

Town of Swanzey State of New Hampshire

The Polls, located at Monadnock Regional High School, opened at 3:00 p.m. and closed at 8:00 p.m. for consideration of questions to be decided by official ballot including election of town officers, whether to adopt SB2 (submitted by petition), whether to amend the zoning ordinance concerning Wetlands, election of school district officers and school district questions.

Moderator Gus Lerandeau called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Moderator Lerandeau thanked the people for attending the meeting under challenging weather conditions. He then introduced the Assistant Moderators, Bill Snyder, Sly Karasinski, and Pat Haselton who were manning the polls during the start of the business meeting. He also introduced the Town Officials who were at the head table as well as the Department Heads.

Moderator Lerandeau asked John Arnone to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Moderator then turned the podium over to Selectman Francis Faulkner, Jr. Selectman Faulkner recognized the dedication of this year's Town Report to Alfred "Al" Longe. The dedication read as follows:

"This Town Report is dedicated to the Memory of Alfred J. "Al" Longe. Al served his town over the years in a variety of ways, as both an elected official and dedicated volunteer. He was a member of the town's planning board and served as a Commissioner for the North Swanzey Water & Fire Precinct. His involvement in the Town's Old Home Day celebrations resulted in the inclusion of a Vintage Race Car Show celebrating the bygone days of "racing" in the region and at the Cheshire Fairgrounds. History, of the Town and region, was of great interest to Al and led to his involvement in the Swanzey Preservation Society. Al was always willing to put forth his own efforts to get a job done and organized others to help. His positive approach to situations and problems as well as his willingness to encourage others to join in is missed"

Selectman Faulkner recognized Al's wife Eileen and daughter, Andrea.

Next Selectman Faulkner named Stanley Earle as one who has done a lot for the Community. He recognized Stanley for his many years of service, being a Trustee for the Stratton Free Library, Mt. Caesar Library, and was a member of the West Swanzey Sidewalk Committee for more than 23 years, serving as its chair since 1998. He also was an active member of the Swanzey Preservation Society. Selectman Faulkner advised that during 2004, Stanley decided to step back for several of these long standing commitments to focus on the Preservation

Society's work at the Grange Hall and those projects of his own which have been neglected while he as been serving his Town.

To thank Stanley for many years of volunteer service, he was presented with a book "New Hampshire Covered Bridges – A Link with our Past".

For the first time this year, Full-Time employees were recognized.

School Resource Officer Wayne Kassotis	Five Years
Police Sergeant Robert Blodgett	Ten Years
DPW Employees Todd Trombley and Ann Bedaw	Fifteen Years
Tax Collector Ruth Snyder	Twenty Years

Selectman Faulkner stated that the Board of Selectman appreciates all of the employees for their dedication and their efforts to improve our Town.

Article 1: The following officers were elected by official ballot:

Selectman for Three Years	Francis W. Faulkner, Jr.
Trustee of Trust Funds for Three Years	John Bleyle
Old Home Day Committee for Three Years	William Carson
Board of Adjustment Members for Three Years	Charles R. Beauregard, Sr. Robert A. Mitchell
Planning Board Members for Three Years	June Fuerderer Glenn W. Page
Library Trustee for One Year	Robert J. Kenney
Sewer Commissioner for Three Years	Glenn W. Page

Article 2: It was voted by ballot to **accept** the following question submitted by petition:

"Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (known as SB 2) to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town of Swanzey on the second Tuesday of March?"

YES 332

NO 209

Article 3: It was voted by ballot to **accept** the following amendment to the Town of Swanzey Zoning Ordinance:

Are you in favor of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance:

**Delete Existing Section VII – Wetlands Conservation District
Replace with:**

**SECTION VII
WETLANDS CONSERVATION DISTRICT
(Amended March 8, 2005)**

A. PURPOSE

1. By the authority granted in NH RSA 674:16-17 and 20 and in the interest of public health, safety and general welfare, the Swanzey Wetlands Conservation District is hereby enacted to regulate the uses on those lands defined as wetlands:

- a. To prevent the development of structures and land uses on wetlands which would contribute to the pollution of surface and groundwater;
- b. To prevent the destruction of natural wetlands which provide flood protection, groundwater recharge, pollution abatement, the augmentation of stream flow during dry periods, and valuable wildlife habitats.
- c. To prevent unnecessary or excessive expenses to the Town to provide and maintain essential service and utilities;
- d. To encourage those uses that can be appropriately and safely located in wetlands areas;
- e. To preserve and enhance those aesthetic values associated with the wetlands of this Town.

B. DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

1. The Swanzey Wetlands Conservation District is defined as those areas of the town that are inundated or saturated by surface water or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal conditions does support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. The Wetlands Conservation District is sometimes referred to herein as "wetlands" or "wetland areas."

C. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. In all cases where the Wetlands Conservation District is superimposed over another zoning district in the Town of Swanzey, that district whose regulations are more restrictive shall apply.

2. Boundary Appeals. In the event that the Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Code Enforcement Officer or the Health Inspector, showing just cause, questions the accuracy of the boundaries of a Wetland area on a specific parcel of land, the accuracy of the boundaries shall be determined by a certified wetland scientist (as defined by RSA 310-A:76,II-a), with associated costs to be the responsibility of the Applicant (RSA 676:4,1(g)).

D. USES PERMITTED

Uses permitted in the Wetlands Conservation District, provided that all required permits have been obtained, are as follows:

1. Water impoundments, to the extent that wildlife considerations will allow and construction of wells for water supply;
2. Drainage ways, streams, creeks or other paths of normal runoff water;
3. Wildlife habitat development and management;
4. Parks and such recreation uses as are consistent with the purpose and intent of Section C;
5. Conservation areas and natural trails;
6. Open spaces as permitted by subdivision regulations and other sections of the Ordinance;
7. Forestry and Tree Farming in Wetlands.
8. Agriculture in Wetlands.
9. The construction or reconstruction of fences, footbridges, catwalks, wharfs and structures that enhance the site as wildlife habitat provided:
 - a. Said structures are constructed so as to permit the unobstructed flow of water; and
 - b. The natural contour of the wetlands is preserved.
10. Alteration of the surface configuration of the land by filling or dredging provided that:

- a. The alteration enhances the wetland wildlife aspect of the site; and
- b. The natural contour of the wetland is preserved.

11. Construction of streets, roads and other access ways, and pipelines, powerlines and other transmission lines.

E. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1. No leach field or dry well may be located closer than one hundred twenty five (125) feet to any designated wetland. In instances of septic failure, certified to by the Town of Swanzey Health Officer, the one hundred twenty five (125) foot requirement is waived if a licensed septic designer certifies to the Health Officer that a one hundred twenty five (125) foot setback is not possible; in that event, the system can be replaced to State specifications.

2. Wetland areas will not be used to satisfy minimum lot area and setback requirements and may not be used when applying a residential density factor.

YES 391 NO 123

The following warrant articles were addressed during the business portion of the Town Meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the gym of the Monadnock Regional High School.

Article 4: This article was amended to read as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 3,759,023 which represents the recommended operating budget for the following purposes:

General Government	\$ 1,098,465
Police Department	547,643
Fire Department	179,844
Other Public Safety	297,007
Department of Public Works	683,411
Solid Waste & Sanitation	502,375
Health & Welfare	154,629
Culture and Recreation	135,399
Debt Service	160,250

It was voted to **accept** Article 4 as amended.

Article 5: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating the sum of \$2,500 to fund activities of the Open Space Committee established as a result of the recommendations contained in the "Plan for the Protection of Open Space" adopted in 2004.

Article 6: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating the sum of \$17,140 representing the balance of funding (salary, benefits and payroll related costs) required to expand the Code Enforcement Officer's position to full time.)

Article 7: It was voted in **favor** of authorizing the Selectmen to enter into a three year lease agreement for the purpose of leasing and outfitting three police cruisers and raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,000 for the first year's payment for that purpose.

Article 8: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating the sum of \$ 27,652 for the purpose of retaining (after July 1) the replacement police officer's position established in 2003 with grant funding that provided for assignment of a town police officer to the NH Attorney General's Drug Task Force (Drug Task Force). The assigned officer will be completing work with the Drug Task Force and returning to duty within the Town after July 1, 2005. Funding of this article will provide for retention of the replacement officer resulting in 11 full time sworn officers serving in the town including the School Resource Officer.

Article 9: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating from the Carpenter Home Special Revenue Fund the sum of \$ 295,975 to support operation of the Carpenter Home.

Article 10: It was voted in **favor** of creating an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for Town Hall maintenance, repairs and improvements to Town Hall (Municipal Offices) designating the Board of Selectmen as agent to expend the fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000 towards this purpose.

Article 11: It was voted in **favor** of establishing an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for repair, maintenance and improvements to town fire stations and related facilities designating the Board of Selectmen and Fire Chief as agents to expend the fund, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000 towards this purpose.

Article 12: It was voted, by a show of hands, in **favor** of establishing an expendable trust fund pursuant to RSA 31:19-a for purchase of fire and rescue tools and equipment designating the Board of Selectmen and Fire Chief as agents to expend the fund, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 towards this purpose.

YES 44

NO 24

Article 13: It was voted in **favor** of raising and appropriating the sum of \$ 362,100 to be placed in the following capital reserve and expendable trust accounts of the town:

Town Hall Expansion	\$ 25,000
Town Hall Computer Upgrades	15,000
Revaluations & Updates	22,000
Highway & Cemetery Equipment	50,000
Road Reconstruction/Reclamation	35,000
Covered Bridges	10,000
Town Bridges	30,000
Town Owned Dams	5,000
Cemetery Development	3,100
Department of Public Works Facilities	10,000
Fire Trucks	45,000
Future Fire Station	50,000
Emergency Communications	5,000
Recycling Center Improvements	10,000

Sewer Line Extensions	10,000
Carpenter Home	15,000
Mt. Caesar Union Library	2,000
Stratton Free Library	2,000
Recreation Facilities Improvements	15,000
Conservation Land Acquisition	3,000

Article 14: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting, or take any action thereon.

Under this Article the Moderator was questioned on whether any consideration had been made to postpone the meeting until there were better weather conditions. The Moderator explained that he had until 5:00 p.m. (two hours before the start of the meeting) to cancel the meeting. We had to have the polls opened so Moderator Lerandean decided to go ahead with the meeting.

The Board of Selectman was questioned if anything had been done in regards to the surveying of the land between the Fire Station and Ashuelot River in West Swanzey and also, the possibility of purchasing the West Swanzey Water Company. Selectman Faulkner advised that the Board had not done anything as yet on these two items; however, there are plans in the future to do this.

The motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting and this was done at 8:25 p.m.

Moderator Lerandean thanked everyone for braving the weather and coming to attend the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carol A. DeRocher
Town Clerk

BIRTHS 2005

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Father</u>	<u>Mother</u>
01-17-05	Swanzey, NH	Beatrice Angeline Lake	Andrew Lake	Kara Lake
01-19-05	Keene, NH	Hayden Michael Hall	Eric Hall	Misty Hall
01-23-05	Lebanon, NH	Emma May Macie	Randy Macie	Therese Macie
01-24-05	Keene, NH	Luke Francis Weston	Joshua Weston	Jessica Weston
01-26-05	Keene, NH	Zachary Allan Phillips	Billy Phillips	Margaret Phillips
01-31-05	Keene, NH	Elianna Reyes Guzman	Martin Guzman	Jennifer Guzman
02-22-05	Peterborough, NH	Evan David Dumaine	Jason Dumaine	Bonnie Dumaine
03-13-05	Keene, NH	Isabella Norma Collini	Noah Collini	Kelly Collini
04-19-05	Keene, NH	Sydney Elizabeth Bowers	Peter Bowers	Rebecca Bowers
05-03-05	Keene, NH	Ethan Michael Hall	Timothy Hall	Darcie Hall
05-05-05	Keene, NH	Emma Madeline Batchelder	John Batchelder	Jennifer Batchelder
05-17-05	Keene, NH	Joshua Michael Morel	Michel Morel	Lisa Morel
06-03-05	Peterborough, NH	Carina Rose Winkler	Robert Winkler	Allison Winkler
06-22-05	Keene, NH	Nehemiah Trudeau	Fabian Trudeau	Leslie Trudeau
06-30-05	Keene, NH	Emma Mae Lewis	Max Lewis	Shawn Lewis
06-30-05	Keene, NH	Sydney Kay Maclean	Scott Maclean	Sandra Maclean
07-01-05	Keene, NH	Julia Anne Hoden	Jonathan Hoden	Dawn Hoden
07-15-05	Keene, NH	Nathan Edward Johnson	Brian Johnson	Jennifer Johnson
08-11-05	Keene, NH	Jacob Phillip Schneider	Steffen Schneider	Susan Schneider
08-25-05	Keene, NH	Kyle Lewis Hurt	Franklin Hurt	Michele Hurt
09-23-05	Keene, NH	Tancred James Pio Bednar	Andrew Bednar	Dorothy Bednar
10-18-05	Keene, NH	Kaycee Elizabeth Mari Messenger	Arthur Messenger	Tammy Messenger
10-23-05	Keene, NH	Benjamin Joel Corban	Gregory Corban	Stacy Corban
12-05-05	Keene, NH	Madison Olivia Foster	Shane Foster	Jennifer Foster
12-13-05	Keene, NH	Laine Jane Dragon	Jason Dragon	Jennifer Dragon
12-13-05	Keene, NH	Ethan David Downs	Jeremy Downs	Bethany Downs

MARRIAGES - 2005

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
01-09-05	Swanzey, NH	Vance A. McNally	Swanzey, NH
		Barbara M. Crowell	Swanzey, NH
01-14-05	Swanzey, NH	Sean P. Murphy	Swanzey, NH
		Amy K. Buzzell	Windham, ME
02-19-05	Swanzey, NH	August D. Waters Esq.	Swanzey, NH
		Susan A. Buffum	Swanzey, NH
03-20-05	Rindge, NH	Jeffrey F. Spano	Swanzey, NH
		Penelope L. Paquette	Swanzey, NH
04-06-05	Swanzey, NH	Ronald A. Yantiss	Marlborough, NH
		Susan L. Crombie	Swanzey, NH
04-23-05	Gilford, NH	John R. Avery	Milton, MA
		Judith J. Lefebvre	Swanzey, NH
05-07-05	Rindge, NH	Gerald C. Stiles	Swanzey, NH
		Margaret M. Gallivan	Swanzey, NH
05-19-05	Swanzey, NH	Eric M. Pouliot	Swanzey, NH
		Kelly A. Ellis	Swanzey, NH
05-21-05	Keene, NH	David S. Gaillardetz	Swanzey, NH
		Hillary J. Snyder	Swanzey, NH
06-04-05	Peterborough, NH	Mark A. Tullgren	Swanzey, NH
		Marilyn D. Parpan	Swanzey, NH
06-04-05	Swanzey, NH	Timothy J. Parsons	Swanzey, NH
		Katherine R. Berman	Richmond, NH
06-11-05	Hudson, NH	Mark R. Mellnick	Swanzey, NH
		Christine L. Boucher	Swanzey, NH
06-18-05	Troy, NH	Richard J. Dicey	Swanzey, NH
		Meagan E. Coll	Swanzey, NH
06-24-05	Keene, NH	Gordon A. Barrett	Swanzey, NH
		Glennis E. Underwood	Swanzey, NH
07-01-05	Keene, NH	Eric A. Mattson	Swanzey, NH
		Sherry L. Wilson	Swanzey, NH
07-23-05	Keene, NH	Mark A. Smith	Swanzey, NH
		Heather A. Wood	Swanzey, NH
08-07-05	Swanzey, NH	William H. Burt	Swanzey, NH
		Lorraine J. Weeks	Swanzey, NH
08-12-05	Keene, NH	Donald H. Roloff	Swanzey, NH
		Elizabeth C. Frenette	Swanzey, NH
08-13-05	Keene, NH	Joshua K. Gilbeau	Swanzey, NH
		Amanda L. Robinson	Swanzey, NH
08-27-05	Swanzey, NH	David H. Harlow	Swanzey, NH
		Renee M. Nicole	Swanzey, NH
09-03-05	Swanzey, NH	Paul H. Lounder	Swanzey, NH
		Theresa V. Brown	Swanzey, NH
09-10-05	Swanzey, NH	Mark A. Carrier	Richmond, NH
		Robin M. Pricst	Swanzey, NH
09-17-05	Swanzey, NH	Fredrick J. Blais	Swanzey, NH
		Robin E. Grainger	Swanzey, NH
09-17-05	Rindge, NH	Jackson L. Stone	Swanzey, NH
		Amy B. Durham	Swanzey, NH
09-24-05	Rindge, NH	Ryan K. Allaire	Swanzey, NH
		Priya E. Sabo	Swanzey, NH
10-02-05	Keene, NH	Matthew J. Higgins	Swanzey, NH
		Jennifer L. Brousseau	Swanzey, NH
10-08-05	Sunapee, NH	Spencer C. Yardley	Swanzey, NH
		Carrie L. Johnson	Swanzey, NH

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
10-14-05	Rindge, NH	Robert F. Herrick	Swanzey, NH
		Kimberly A. Tacy	Keene, NH
10-15-05	Marlborough, NH	Bruce H. Merrill	Swanzey, NH
		Laurie A. Skiffington	Swanzey, NH
10-15-05	Winchester, NH	Jason M. Champney	Swanzey, NH
		Heather A. Wrenn	Swanzey, NH
11-19-05	Swanzey, NH	Walter B. Weeks	Swanzey, NH
		Susan A. Raymond	Swanzey, NH
12-18-05	Swanzey, NH	David A. Gonyer	Swanzey, NH
		Sally J. Strong	Swanzey, NH

DEATHS 2005

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
01-07-05	Swanzey, NH	Michael Birt	James Birt	Pauline Morin
01-14-05	Keene, NH	Joseph Guyette	Donald Guyette	Pauline Dubriski
01-18-05	Swanzey, NH	David J Boulay		
01-26-05	Keene, NH	Merle Curtis	Andrew Curtis	Elsie Atwood
01-29-05	Swanzey, NH	John Morse	Elmer Morse	Louise LaPlante
02-10-05	Keene, NH	Evelyn M. O'Brien		
02-11-05	Keene, NH	Jean Herrick	Francis Barden	Blondena Jablonski
02-18-05	Keene, NH	Milan M. Madden		
04-06-05	Keene, NH	Paula Reynolds	George Reynolds	Irene Burt
04-20-05	Keene, NH	Geraldine Weiss	Joseph Oberstein	Rose Lasker
04-29-05	Keene, NH	Steven Zargo	Alexander Zargo	Margaret Boscoe
05-08-05	Swanzey, NH	Sarah White	Robert Smith	Isabell Davison
05-23-05	Westmoreland, NH	Mary Alther	Nicholas Lyons	Mary Watson
06-07-05	Marlow, NH	Trevor Dicks	Nelson Dicks	Shirley Matthews
06-07-05	Swanzey, NH	William Perrott	Henry Perrott	Alice Reilly
06-16-05	Lebanon, NH	Norma Joslin	Homer Ambrose	Ethel Wood
07-10-05	Lebanon, NH	Patricia Smith	Earl Pilon	Margaret Ryan
07-11-05	Westmoreland, NH	Mildred Patch	Ernest Nadeau	Eunice Trembley
07-13-05	Swanzey, NH	Elliott Gilson	Elliott Gilson	Katherine Pierson
07-17-05	Westmoreland, NH	Mary E. Page		
07-20-05	Keene, NH	Robert W. Therrien		
08-07-05	Swanzey, NH	Gary Susalka	Roman Susalka	Barbara Kopka
08-11-05	Keene, NH	Edmond Joslyn	Everett Joslyn	Estella Whitenet
09-15-05	Swanzey, NH	Claude Smead	Frank Smead	Jessie Pike
09-19-05	Keene, NH	Elsie R. Chadwick		
10-04-05	Keene, NH	Edmond Murphy	Ignatius Szpotowski	Doris Walsh
10-19-05	Keene, NH	Lyman B. Merrill		
12-14-05	Keene, NH	Floris J. Batchelder		

BROUGHT IN FOR BURIAL – 2005

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
07-29-03	Middletown,NJ	Linda Kudile	55
02-21-04	Springfield, MA	Grace O'Donnell	
03-29-04	Baileys Harbor, WI	Tyson M. Nichols	24
01-01-05	Keene, NH	Bonnie Bertolami	
02-21-05	Concord, NH	Edith H. Farnum	83
03-08-05	Keene, NH	Harry L. York	88
03-15-05	Broward Cty, FL	Evelyn L. Keating	80
03-17-05	Broward Cty, FL	Richard J. Keating	80
03-30-05	Keene, NH	Kendall McCormack	73
04-11-05	Franklin, NH	Marie F. Lavigne	93
04-27-05	Winchester, NH	Lloyd R. Willis	73
05-29-05	Keene, NH	Maxine R. Lambert	67
06-05-05	Keene, NH	Francis H. Worcester	87
06-06-05	Boston, MA	Robert Fournier	62
07-11-05	Keene, NH	Keegan A. Audet	
07-19-05	Monosassa, FL	Dorothy W. DeFields	81
07-20-05	Tucson, AZ	Douglas B. Brooks	59
08-03-05	Townshend, VT	Barbara M. Helff	
08-08-05	Tavares, FL	Olive V. Manning	81
08-08-05	Brattleboro,VT	Richard L. Bohannon	59
09-03-05	Swanzey, NH	Seth M. Clark	21
09-11-05	Greenfield, MA	Martha A. Hurlbut	80
09-18-05	Keene, NH	Kendell C. Page	86
10-29-05	Lebanon, NH	Christine J. Brittain	42
11-22-05	Concord, NH	Dorothy H. Cuthbert	78
11-30-05	Woodsville, NH	Doris F. Taber	94
12-12-05	Peterborough, NH	Pauline M. Franklin	77

How well do you know Swanzey?

1. In 2004, the approximate population of Swanzey was:
 - a. 5,000
 - b. 7,000
 - c. 10,000
2. Swanzey was incorporated in:
 - a. 1695
 - b. 1753
 - c. 1812
3. Match the bridge to its location:

Carlton Bridge	Sawyers' Crossing Road
Cresson Bridge	Main Street/California Street
Thompson Bridge	Westport Village Road
Slate Covered Bridge	Carlton Road
4. True or False. Swanzey was once known as Lower Ashuelot.
5. Swanzey has approximately _____ miles of roads:
 - a. 50
 - b. 75
 - c. 100
6. Denman Thompson was:
 - a. a doctor
 - b. a mill owner
 - c. a playwright
7. The Old Homestead is:
 - a. the oldest house in Swanzey
 - b. a play
 - c. the road running from West Swanzey to Westport Village
8. What live animals will you find at The Old Homestead?

Answers: 1a; 2)b; 3)Carlton/Carlton; Cresson/Sawyer; Thompson/Main/Slate/Westport. 4) True; 5) 100; 6) c; 7)b; 8) oxen



THANK YOU

Again, we are able to borrow pictures for the annual report from the Historical Museum. Mary Faulkner graciously donated her time and assistance in obtaining these pictures for us.

Mary, thanks for all your help and patience.

